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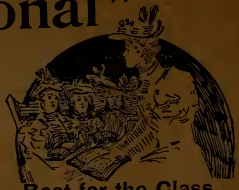

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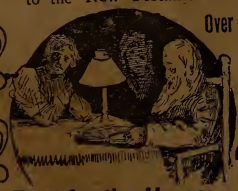

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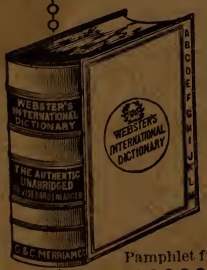

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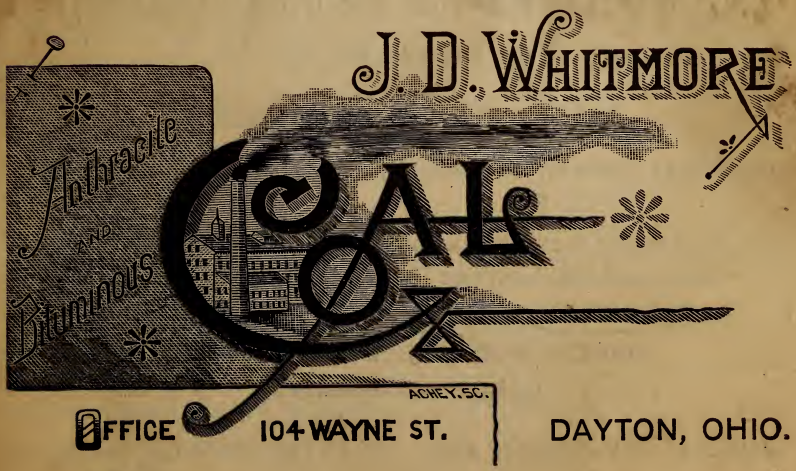

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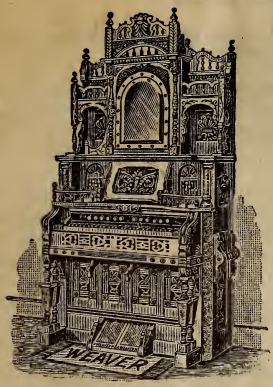

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54	Myers, Daniel	Germantown	Montgomery County	Ohio
55	Myers, David E	Marion	Grant County	Indiana
56	Nicholas, Ed. S	Liberty	Montgomery County	Ohio
57	Niswonger, W. C	Lewisburg	Preble County	Ohio
58	Pantle, Jacob	West Elkton	Preble County	Ohio
59	Powell, Geo. T	Mt. Healthy	Hamilton County	Ohio
60	Pruner, W. J	Greenville	Darke County	Ohio
61	Replogle, J. M	Dean	Montgomery County	Ohio
62	Saul, E. E	Sulphur Grove	Montgomery County	Ohio
63	Sechrist, H. A	Miltonville	Butler County	Ohio
64	Shuey, W. A	Dayton	Montgomery County	Ohio
65	Shuey, W. J	Dayton	Montgomery County	Ohio
66	Swain, J. L	Germantown	Montgomery County	Ohio
67	Symmonds, E. W	Harris	Hamilton County	Ohio
68	Vansickle, W. M	New Paris	Preble County	Ohio
69	Wahl, Geo. A	Dayton	Montgomery County	Ohio
70	Walker, I. M	Williamsburg	Clermont County	Ohio
71	Walter, John	Seven Mile	Butler County	Ohio
72	Yingling, J. E	Farmersville	Montgomery County	Ohio
73	Zechar, Samuel	Westerville	Franklin County	Ohio

TRAVELING IN CONFERENCE.

Kirts, S. S	Dayton	Montgomery County	Ohio
Ludwig, S. R	Dayton	Montgomery County	Ohio

DIRECTORY OF CONFERENCE WIDOWS.

Mrs. L. Burns	Dunlap	Hamilton County	Ohio
Mrs. M. M. Fowler	Westerville	Franklin County	Ohio
Mrs. W. H. Lanthurn	Dayton	Montgomery County	Ohio
Mrs. J. M. Marshall	Dayton	Montgomery County	Ohio
Mrs. W. G. Wells	Dayton	Montgomery County	Ohio

CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE.

ACTIVE ITINERANTS.

1 Arnold, G. W.
2 Beckett, J. N.
3 Berger, D.
4 Bohn, F. H.
5 Bowers, E. W.
6 Burkert, C. J.
7 Bushong, T. F.
8 Cleaver, Wm.
9 Dunkelberger, A.
10 Eby, J. A.
11 Ervin, S. B.
12 Flory, J. W.
13 Fout, H. H.
14 Garst, H.
15 Grigsby, F. G.
16 Griscel, Geo. T.
17 Hall, Columbus.
18 Halstead, T. J.
19 Hamilton, G. W.
20 Hippard, S. M.
21 Houlton, W. R.
22 Huber, J. G.
23 Huddle, S.
24 Keister, S. W.
25 Kilbourn, J. W.
26 Klinefelter, W. H.
27 Kurtz, Chas. W.
28 Landis, J. P.
29 Macklin, G. P.
30 Mathews, Geo. M.
31 Mayne, Jos. H.
32 McGrew, L. A.
33 McKee, Wm.
34 Miller, C. W.
35 Myers, D. E.
36 Niswonger, W. C.
37 Pantle, Jacob.
38 Pruner, W. J.
39 Replogle, Jas. M.
40 Saul, E. E.
41 Sechrist, H. A.
42 Shuey, W. J.
43 Swain, J. L.
44 Vansickle, W. M.
45 Yingling, J. E.

SUPERNUMERARY ITINERANTS.

1 Albright, W. K.
2 Bovey, J. W.
3 Caylor, E. H.
4 Doughman, J. B.
5 Holtzinger, J. D.
6 Lorenz, E. S.
7 Walter, John.

SUPERANNUATED ITINERANTS.

J. W. Glenn.

LOCAL MINISTERS.

1 Bunger, W. L.
2 Dickey, Sarah A.
3 Frank, Wm. T.
4 Haller, Harry.
5 Hemphill, G. M.
6 Hemphill, Ruth E.
7 Hughes, W. R.
8 Irie, Geo. K.
9 Longman, Rufus A.
10 Myers, Daniel.
11 Nicholas, Ed. S.
12 Powell, Geo. T.
13 Shuey, W. A.
14 Symmonds, E. W.
15 Wahl, Geo. A.
16 Walker, I. M.
17 Zechar, Samuel.

LAY DELEGATES PRESENT.

DAYTON DISTRICT.

Abbottsville, J. B. Dehoff.
Arcanum, Martin Rogers.
Bowlusville, Warder Dear.
Dayton, First Church, Prof. A. B. Shauck.
Dayton, Hartford Street, Dr. M. R. Drury.
Dayton, High Street, Jacob M. Kountz.
Dayton, Home Avenue, Alonzo O. Bohn.
Dayton, Miami Chapel, William Bitner.
Dayton, North Main Street, S. B. Maeder.
Dayton, Oak Street, L. M. Mittendorf.
Dayton, Summit Street, Mrs. Lydia McKee.
Eldorado, Michael Price.
Greenville, W. D. Brumbaugh.
Harrisburg, Thomas Beery.
Ithaca, A. M. McGrew.
Mt. Zion, William Ashbaugh.
Salem, Noah Swank.
Springfield, George Crawford.
Union City, George Parent.
Vandalia, —— ——.

CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Beavertown, Elmer Johns.
Cherry Grove, Stephen C. Markley.
Colerain, W. S. Norris.
Eaton, Daniel Deem.
Germantown, Cyrus H. Gilbert.
Harrison, M. M. Hayes.
Lewisburg, Allen Burkett.
Liberty, Amos Zehring.
Miamisburg, Charles Welch.
Middletown, C. C. Foutz.
Miltonville, George Yost.
Millville, —— ——.
Moore's Fork, S. M. Ridings.
Mt. Healthy, John Gories.
New Haven, Joseph Sater.
Newport, Ky., E. J. Robertson.
Pleasant Hill, C. M. Benson.
Second Creek, J. H. Hancock.
Springboro, —— ——.
Sulphur Grove, H. B. Shoup.
West Elkton, Jacob Judy.

IN MEMORIAM.

The following list includes all the deceased members of Miami Annual Conference of whom mention is made in Conference minutes. It is greatly to be regretted that greater care has not been observed in the preparation of the memoirs. In many cases the mere FACT of death ONLY is recorded.

Deceased Members of Miami Conference—1810–1896.

"They may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

CHERISHED NAMES.	DIED.
WILLIAM P. SMITH	1816
FREDERICK KLINGER	1823
ABRAHAM PONSLER	1824
JOHN GEORGE PFRIMMER	1825
JOHN HARVEY	1828
THOMAS HAINES	1828
JACOB MAHAN	1829
ARCHIBALD E. MICHAEL	1829
PHILIP SAUR	1832
MICHAEL COWER	1839
GEORGE HOFFMAN	1839
ROBERT DUNCAN	1839
Ex-BISHOP ANDREW ZELLER	1839
JOSEPH H. FRY	1841
WILLIAM OGBORN	1841
PETER BONEBRAKE	1843
JACOB FLICKINGER	1844

Cherished Names.	Died.
CHRISTIAN SHEARER	1844
ISAAC V. D. ROBERTSON	1846
DAVID KISER	1848
FREDERICK BONEBRAKE	1849
ROBERT A. WHEAT	1850
WILLIAM R. LEWIS	1850
JACOB KEMP, Sen	1851
Ex-Bishop HENRY KUMLER, Sen	1854
MARTIN BEAM	1855
DANIEL BONEBRAKE	1856
Ex-Bishop JOSEPH HOFFMAN	1857
CURTIS EDWARDS	1858
JOHN ZELLER	1858
JOHN ALLEN	1859
WILLIAM R. RHINEHART	1861
JACOB ANTRIM	1861
JACOB SURFACE	1861
DANIEL TROYER	1863
SWAIN CORSON	1863
THOMAS SHAIN	1863
DANIEL N. FLEMING	1863
JOHN KEMP, Sen	1865
JAMES M. MARSHALL	1866
JACOB G. KING	1867
Ex-Bishop JOHN COONS	1869
JOHN COLEMAN	1871
ELIAS W. HOFFNER	1873
DANIEL ANTRIM	1873
C. SHOOP	1873
CONRAD BONEBRAKE	1874
JOHN L. HOFFMAN	1875
SIMON GEETING	1875

Cherished Names.	died.
STEPHEN M. HEARN	1877
WILLIAM NICHOLAS	1878
JACOB KING	1878
JAMES FLEENOR	1879
ADAM HETZLER	1880
JOHN SLIFE	1880
WILLIAM K. McCABE	1881
FRANK M. FOWLER	1881
Ex-Bishop HENRY KUMLER, Jr.	1882
DANIEL C. KUMLER	1882
JOHN KEMP, Jr.	1883
W. H. LANTHURN	1884
HENRY HOFFMAN	1884
LUKE E. PIERCE	1884
G. L. GILBERT	1885
W. W. COONS	1886
JAMES LONG	1888
CHRISTOPHER FLINCHBAUGH	1888
HENRY TOBEY	1889
CHESTER BRIGGS	1890
HENRY SURFACE	1891
JOSEPH GOMER	1892
LAWRENCE BURNS	1894
W. G. WELLS	1896

"Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare 's past;
The battle 's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last.

"Oh, how sweet it will be, in that beautiful land,
So free from all sorrow and pain,
With songs on our lips, and with harps in our hands,
To meet one another again."

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

THE Conference journal has been carefully examined, and all standing resolutions of special use are incorporated. For regulations on lay delegation see Minutes of 1884.

Conference of 1875, Miltonville session:—

Resolved, That the missionary money appropriated to the different missions in this Conference be paid quarterly, and that no part of it be paid except by order of the presiding elder; and if in the judgment of the quarterly conference the missionary fails to faithfully perform his work, it shall be in the power of the next Conference, upon the recommendation of the presiding elder, to withhold any part of the amount appropriated by this Conference.

Conference of 1880, Germantown session:—

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Conference that hereafter the word "dropped" be applied only to persons who sustain the relation of seekers to the Church, and cease to be such in fact, or such as are mentioned in Chapter V., Section 1, and Clause 3 of Discipline.

Conference of 1882, Dayton First Church session:—

Resolved, That the examination on reading shall hereafter be conducted in writing.

Conference of 1885, Dayton Summit Street Church session:—

STATISTICAL COMMITTEE.

Resolved, 1. That the reports of pastors be referred to a statistical committee of three, consisting of the statistical secretary, and two ministers to be appointed by the bishop at the preceding session.

2. That the committee shall make a thorough examination of every report, comparing it with the preceding reports and with

the assessments, and shall make a brief report to the Conference as the name of the pastor is called for examination, making special mention of the delinquencies and overpayments.

3. That every pastor shall place his report in the hands of the statistical secretary by 8 A.M. of the day appointed for the meeting of the Conference.

Conference of 1887, Springboro session: —

Resolved, That as a Conference we will not in the future consent to the licensing or ordination of any ministers who are addicted to the use of tobacco in any form, except upon their solemn assurance to *speedily* and *forever* abstain from its use.

Conference of 1890, Cherry Grove session: —

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

Resolved, That the amount appropriated to Conference claimants be *hereafter paid quarterly* by the treasurer of said fund.

MISSION CHARGES.

Resolved, That the amount received as missionary appropriation by mission charges be added to the amount of salary received on the charge, and be so reported to the Conference chart.

Conference of 1892, Miami Chapel session: —

Resolved, That the presiding elders shall be members *ex officio* of the Home Mission and Alliance committees for mission work within the bounds of Conference.

Conference of 1895, Dayton First Church session: —

Resolved, That the secretary of the preceding session of Conference shall, at least six weeks before the assembling of the Conference in annual session, inform the chairman of each committee on course of reading of the duties assigned, and said chairman shall arrange to have examinations completed by the opening of the Conference.

MUTUAL BENEFICIAL SOCIETY

OF

Miami Annual Conference of the United Brethren in Christ.

CONSTITUTION.

Article I.—Name.

The name of this society shall be the Mutual Beneficial Society of Miami Annual Conference of the United Brethren in Christ.

Article II.—Object.

The object of this society shall be mutual benefit in case of death, as hereinafter stated.

Article III.—Membership.

1. Any minister of Miami Annual Conference may become a member of this society by signing the Constitution, and paying to the Secretary one dollar entrance fee, which binds him to pay two dollars for the benefit of the heirs of each and every member on his death; the said two dollars to be paid to the Secretary of this society within thirty days after the date of the notice of the death of the member.

2. Membership in this society must be taken within one year of uniting with the Conference. In case membership is not taken within this time, then the applicant must pay to the Secretary, in addition to the initiation fee, a sum equal to the amount of the annual and mortality dues having accrued to each member of the society since the applicant's first year's membership in the Conference. Such as have had membership in the Conference before the passage of the foregoing amendment must take membership within one year after its passage. In case of such as do not, like requirements, as contained in the amendment, will be imposed.

3. Any person may become an honorary member of this society upon the same conditions as members, and shall be entitled to vote at the election of officers and on all business matters, but the heirs of honorary members shall not be claimants on the society.

4. Each member and honorary member shall pay one dollar annually to the Secretary of the society, said sum to be paid at the annual session of the Conference. The Secretary shall give notice to all members of the time when payment shall become due.

Article IV.—Benefits.

The amount of one hundred and fifty dollars shall be paid, on the death of any member of the society, to his widow, or if none, then to his children, and if neither, then to his estate.

Article V.—Officers.

The officers of this society shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be members of the Annual Conference.

1. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the society, and shall sign all orders for money to be paid out by the Treasurer; and in case of death, resignation, or absence of the President, the Vice-President shall perform his duties.

2. The Secretary shall keep a correct account of all the transactions, and take charge of all the papers and books of the society. Within ten days after the death of a member he shall notify all the surviving members of the date of the death of such member, and also the date on which the obligation of such must be met, and shall countersign all orders for moneys to be paid out by the Treasurer. He shall also see that each member is provided with a proper certificate of membership, and the amount of benefit due his heirs at his death, and sign said certificate himself, and secure the signature of the President to the same.

3. The Treasurer shall keep safely all money belonging to the society, and shall disburse the same only on the order of the President, countersigned by the Secretary. Within thirty days after the death of a member, on the order of the President, countersigned by the Secretary, he shall pay to the heirs of such deceased member the amount of the benefit, one hundred and fifty dollars, herein prescribed. He shall give receipts for all moneys received, and take vouchers for all disbursed. He shall make a full report of all moneys received and disbursed to the regular meeting of the society at each Annual Conference session.

Article VI.

Transfer to another conference of the United Brethren in Christ shall not forfeit membership; but any member who has been expelled, or has withdrawn from the Conference without its consent, forfeits his membership. Any member failing to pay the two dollars agreed upon, within thirty days after the date of the notice of the death of a member, or his annual dues, as herein provided for, shall from that time cease to be a member, and shall have no claim upon any benefits of the society, and shall not be reinstated until all omitted obligations are paid in full.

Article VII.—Meetings.

A regular meeting of the society shall be held annually during the session of Conference at the call of the President. At such annual meetings the officers of the society shall be elected, by ballot, and such other business transacted as may be in accordance with the object sought by the society. A majority of the members, other than honorary, shall constitute a quorum.

Article VIII.—Additional Notice.

All members who may not have paid within thirty days from the date of notice of the death of a member the agreed-upon two dollars shall be again notified by the Secretary of the time when the thirty days in which payment was to have been made expired, and shall be allowed ten days additional in which to pay the same; any member failing in this, his membership is forfeited.

Article IX.—Amendment.

This Constitution may be changed or amended by a vote of two-thirds of all the ministerial members present at a regular meeting of the society.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

	Name.	*When Received.*		*Name.*	*When Received.*
1	Albright, W K	1887	29	Houlton, W R	1887
2	Arnold, G W	1887	30	Huber, J G	1895
3	Beckett, J N	1893	31	Huddle, S	1887
4	Berger, D	1887	32	Keister, S W	1887
5	Bohn, F H	1887	33	Kilbourn, J W	1890
6	Bookwalter, L	1890	34	Klinefelter, W H	1895
7	Bovey, J W	1892	35	Kurtz, C W	1894
8	Bowers, E W	1887	36	Landis, J P	1887
9	Burkert, C J	1887	37	Lorenz, E S	1892
10	Bushong, T F	1887	38	Macklin, G P	1888
11	Caylor, E H	1888	39	Mathews, G M	1887
12	Cleaver, William	1887	40	Mayne, J H	1887
13	Dunkelberger, A	1887.	41	McGrew, L A	1887
14	Eby, J A	1895	42	McKee, Wm	1887
15	Ervin, S B	1892	43	Miller, C W	1887
16	Flory, J W	1887	44	Niswonger, W C	1887
17	Fout, H H	1892	45	Pantle, Jacob	1892
18	Garst, H	1891	46	Pruner, W J	1895
19	Grigsby, F G	1887	47	Replogle, J M	1893
20	Griscel, George T	1893	48	Rock, R	1889
21	Hall, C	1892	49	Saul, E E	1887
22	Halstead, T J	1893	50	Sechrist, H A	1887
23	Hamilton, G W	1888	51	Shuey, W J	1887
24	Hemphill, G M	1895	52	Snyder, J E	1892
25	Hemphill, Ruth E	1896	53	Swain, J L	1887
26	Higgins, I N	1892	54	Vansickle, W M	1891
27	Hippard, S M	1892	55	Walter, John	1889
28	Holtzinger, J D	1887	56	Yingling, J E	1892

DECEASED.

Chester Briggs, died July 7, 1890; Lawrence Burns, died April 11, 1894; W. G. Wells, died July 24, 1896.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

September 1, 1895, Balance in treasury		$231 63
Annual dues	$59 00	
Mortality dues (W. G. Wells)	80 00—	$139 00
Total in treasury		$370 63

EXPENDITURES.

Paid death claim to widow of Rev. W. G. Wells	$125 00
Balance in treasury September 1, 1896	$245 63

W. J. SHUEY, *Treasurer.*

APPOINTMENTS,

WITH MEMBERSHIP OF EACH.

DAYTON DISTRICT—C. J. BURKERT, Presiding Elder.

1 Abbottsville Circuit—Appointments: Abbottsville, 75; Oakland, 43; Grandview, 44, committed to presiding elder of Dayton District; S. R. Ludwig,. pastor.

2 Arcanum, 279; J. W. Kilbourn, pastor.

3 Bowlusville, 62; W. L. Bunger, pastor.

4 Dayton First Church, 673; G. M. Mathews, pastor.

5 Dayton Hartford Street, 450; J. A. Eby, pastor.

6 Dayton High Street, 205; Wm. Cleaver, pastor.

7 Dayton Home Avenue, 285; F. G. Grigsby, pastor.

8 Dayton Miami Chapel, 201; Jos. H. Mayne, pastor.

9 Dayton North Main Street, 169; G. P. Macklin, pastor.

10 Dayton Oak Street, 447; H. H. Fout, pastor.

11 Dayton Summit Street, 524; W. H. Klinefelter, pastor.

12 Eldorado Circuit—Appointments: Eldorado, 134; Otterbein, 164; West Manchester, 81; T. F. Bushong, pastor.

13 Greenville, 151; W. J. Pruner, pastor.

14 Harrisburg, 33; S. S. Kirts, pastor.

15 Ithaca Circuit—Appointments: Ithaca, 154; West Baltimore, 156; West Sonora, 65; Georgetown, 44; A. Dunkelberger, pastor.

16 Mt. Zion Circuit—Appointments: Mt. Zion, 32; Castine, 79; Calvary, 81; Caylor Chapel, 106; Pleasant Grove, 37, committed to care of Mt. Zion quarterly conference; S. B. Ervin, pastor.

17 Salem Circuit—Appointments: Salem, 133; Brookville, 114; Phillipsburg, 96; Arlington, 57; S. M. Hippard, pastor.

18 Springfield, Lagonda Church, 314; G. W. Arnold, pastor.

19 Union City Circuit—Appointments: Union City, 173; Waterhouse, 131; Hill Grove, 46; G. M. Hemphill and Ruth E. Hemphill, pastors.

20 Vandalia Circuit—Appointments: Vandalia, 205; Gingham sburg, 57; Beardshear 76; G. W. Hamilton, pastor.

CINCINNATI DISTRICT—J. L. SWAIN, Presiding Elder.

1 Beavertown, 160; J. M. Replogle, pastor.
2 Cherry Grove Circuit—Appointments: Cherry Grove, 120; Five Mile, 79; Pleasant Valley, 58; W. R. Houlton, pastor.
3 Colerain Circuit—Appointments: Bevis, 62; Mt. Airy, 69; Zion, 57; Bethel, 20; George T. Griscel, pastor.
4 Eaton, 144; C. W. Kurtz, pastor.
5 Germantown, 306; J. G. Huber, pastor.
6 Harrison and Millville Circuit—Appointments: Harrison, 60; Millville, 107; Rockdale, 96; Georgetown, 35; Miami Church, 42; E. W. Symmonds, pastor.
7 Lewisburg Circuit—Appointments: Lewisburg, 225; Pyrmont, 108; Antioch, 94; W. C. Niswonger, pastor.
8 Liberty Circuit—Appointments: Liberty, 91; Twin Chapel, 102; Johnsville, 84; Farmersville, 63; J. E. Yingling, pastor.
9 Miamisburg, 139; Frank H. Bohn, pastor.
10 Middletown, 201; Seven Mile committed to the care of Middletown quarterly conference; E. W. Bowers, pastor.
11 Miltonville Circuit—Appointments: Miltonville, 54; Pleasant Ridge, 57; Union Chapel, 50; Jacksonburg committed to the care of Miltonville quarterly conference; H. A. Sechrist, pastor.
12 Mt. Healthy and South Cumminsville Station: Mt. Healthy, 90; Cumminsville, —; Geo. T. Powell, pastor.
13 New Haven and West Baltimore Station: New Haven, 223; West Baltimore, 106; Columbus Hall, pastor.
14 Newport, 69; J. W. Flory, pastor.
15 Pleasant Hill and New Hope Circuit—Appointments: Pleasant Hill, 118; New Hope, 148; Yankeetown, 108; Friendship, 28; New Madison, 30; Wm. M. Vansickle, pastor.
16 Second Creek Circuit—Appointments: Second Creek, 114; Midland City, 86; Pleasant Ridge, 39; Shiloh, 38; Moore's Fork, 79; E. J. Arthur, pastor.
17 Springboro Circuit—Appointments: Springboro, 88; Utica, 39; Oregonia, 72; Harveysburg under the care of Springboro quarterly conference, members 14; J. N. Beckett, pastor.
18 Sulphur Grove Circuit—Appointments: Sulphur Grove, 101; Wagner's Chapel, 38; Aley's Chapel, 69; E. E. Saul, pastor.
19 West Elkton Circuit—Appointments: West Elkton, 72; State Road, 83; Brown's Run, 93; Greenbush, 31; Low's Chapel and Winchester Church committed to care of West Elkton quarterly conference; Jacob Pantle, pastor.
20 Williamsburg Circuit—Appointments: Williamsburg, 65; Bloom Rose, 100; Union Plains, 66; I. M. Walker, pastor.

STATISTICAL CHART.

		CHS.		MEMBERS.			
FIELD OF LABOR.	NAME OF PREACHER.	Appointments.	Organized Churches.	At Beginning of Year.	Received.	Deaths.	All Other Losses.
DAYTON DISTRICT	J. L. SWAIN, P. E.	....	....	.....	.....	....	.....
Arcanum	J. W. Kilbourn	1	1	276	30	1	26
Abbottsville	J. W. Bovey	4	4	215	7	.....	33
Bowlusville	M. B. Spayd	1	1	83	.....	1	20
Dayton First Church	G. M. Mathews	1	1	659	42	9	14
Dayton Hartford Street	J. A. Eby	1	1	430	54	4	30
Dayton High Street	William Cleaver	1	1	196	36	2	25
Dayton Home Avenue	F. G. Grigsby	1	1	273	67	6	49
Dayton North Main Street	G. P. Macklin	2	2	146	50	1	26
Dayton Oak Street	H. H. Fout	1	1	384	103	5	35
Dayton Summit Street	W. H. Klinefelter	1	1	559	11	5	41
Dayton Miami Chapel	J. H. Mayne	1	1	196	10	1	4
Eldorado	T. F. Bushong	3	3	369	28	2	16
Greenville	W. J. Pruner	2	1	166	15	1	29
Harrisburg	S. S. Kirts	1	1	42	2	.....	11
Ithaca	A. Dunkleberger	4	4	420	118	5	61
Mt. Zion	F. H. Bohn	4	4	300	36	3	35
Springfield	G. W. Arnold	1	1	306	15	4	3
Salem	G. W. Hamilton	4	4	387	55	6	21
Union City	H. A. Sechrist	3	3	369	44	5	58
Vandalia	S. M. Hippard	3	3	379	11	4	48
New Madison	S. B. Ervin	1	1	13	20	.....	3
Total—Dayton District		41	40	6,168	754	65	588
CINCINNATI DISTRICT	C. J. BURKERT, P. E	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beavertown	J. M. Replogle	1	1	180	4	.....	24
Cherry Grove	L. A. McGrew, G. T. Powell	3	3	321	13	3	79
Colerain	G. T. Griscel	5	5	246	3	2	19
Eaton	C. W. Kurtz	1	1	135	26	1	16
Germantown	J. G. Huber	1	1	307	13	1	13
Harrison	W. R. Houlton	3	3	200	36	4	18
Liberty	J. E. Yingling	4	4	323	60	3	40
Lewisburg	W. C. Niswonger	3	3	425	28	9	17
Miamisburg	W. W. Rymer	1	1	137	5	.....	3
Miltonville	I. M. Walker	3	3	187	30	2	33
Middletown	E. W. Bowers	1	1	121	110	1	29
Millville	W. L. Bunger	1	1	106	1	.....	.....
Mt. Healthy	E. W. Symmonds	1	1	77	21	1	7
Moore's Fork	E. J. Arthur	3	3	166	32	1	41
New Haven	C. Hall	2	2	292	56	8	11
Newport	J. W. Flory	1	1	110	23	1	63
Pleasant Hill	William M. Vansickle	4	4	406	13	3	14
Second Creek	G. M. Hemphill	5	5	411	25	2	28
Sulphur Grove	E. E. Saul	3	3	213	5	4	6
Springboro	J. N. Beckett	4	4	196	42	4	21
West Elkton	Jacob Pantle	4	4	282	52	2	7
Total—Cincinnati District		54	54	4,841	598	52	489
Total—Dayton District		41	40	6,168	754	65	588
Grand total		95	94	11,009	1,352	117	1,077

MEMBERS.			Y. P. C. U.				SABBATH SCHOOLS.					LITERATURE.		
At End of Year.	Increase.	Decrease.	No. of Young People's Societies.	No. of Members.	No. of Junior Societies.	No. of Members.	No. of Sabbath Schools.	No. of Scholars Enrolled.	No. of Teachers and Officers.	No. of Libraries.	No. of Volumes.	Religious Telescopes.	Quarterly Reviews.	Watchwords.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
279	3	.....	1	80	1	40	1	250	23	1	50	23	.....	10
189	.....	26	2	100	.....	.....	4	210	38	.....	.....	5	.....	1
62	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	118	15	.....	.....	4	.....	.....
678	19	.....	1	110	1	42	1	600	65	1	1,044	61	5	55
450	20	.....	1	74	1	65	1	525	43	1	200	32	4	22
205	9	.....	1	79	.....	.....	1	277	30	1	242	14	1	11
285	12	.....	1	75	1	45	1	280	30	.....	.....	20	.....	5
169	23	.....	2	65	1	45	2	346	33	1	49	15	.....	10
447	63	.....	1	98	1	70	1	450	40	1	105	15	1	.....
524	.....	35	1	75	1	55	1	320	29	.....	.....	29	5	25
201	5	.....	1	30	.....	.....	1	196	21	.....	.....	14	1	6
379	10	.....	3	182	.....	.....	3	388	46	.....	.....	43	.....	16
151	.....	15	1	35	.....	.....	2	220	24	1	160	13	.....	1
33	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	100	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
472	52	.....	2	130	1	20	4	632	86	.....	.....	86	1	18
298	.....	2	3	170	1	28	4	400	52	1	78	29	.....	6
314	8	.....	1	47	1	28	1	309	42	1	175	12	.....	2
415	28	.....	2	75	1	20	4	480	47	1	75	57	1	7
350	.....	19	3	101	.....	.....	3	425	52	1	103	13	.....	7
338	.....	41	3	104	.....	.....	3	295	50	1	360	19	.....	11
30	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	40	9	.....	.....	4	.....	.....
6,269	269	168	30	1,630	11	458	41	6,861	787	12	2,641	508	19	213
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
160	.....	20	1	56	.....	.....	1	200	27	.....	.....	13	1	18
252	.....	69	2	75	.....	.....	3	225	36	.....	.....	38	1	6
228	.....	18	3	80	.....	.....	4	190	31	1	50	6	1	.....
144	9	.....	1	50	.....	.....	1	120	17	.....	.....	26	.....	19
306	.....	1	1	105	.....	.....	1	280	26	1	250	41	3	12
214	14	.....	3	80	.....	.....	3	181	35	.....	.....	14	.....	.....
340	17	.....	2	95	.....	.....	4	452	68	.....	.....	30	.....	13
427	2	.....	3	98	.....	.....	3	425	52	.....	.....	43	.....	8
139	2	.....	1	50	1	29	1	180	24	.....	.....	8	1	1
182	.....	5	3	100	.....	.....	3	190	33	.....	.....	18	.....	4
201	80	.....	1	35	1	37	1	225	23	.....	.....	15	1	10
107	1	.....	.....	.....	1	38	1	80	12	.....	.....	5	.....	3
90	13	.....	1	75	1	48	1	120	18	1	210	19	.....	6
156	.....	10	2	60	.....	.....	3	101	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
329	37	.....	1	48	1	39	2	285	38	.....	.....	34	1	23
69	.....	41	1	33	.....	.....	1	80	14	.....	.....	9	1	6
402	.....	4	2	80	.....	.....	4	350	40	.....	.....	31	1	8
406	.....	5	3	170	.....	.....	5	330	50	.....	.....	10	.....	.....
208	.....	5	1	25	1	15	3	210	45	1	102	24	.....	7
213	17	.....	3	86	1	13	3	190	35	.....	.....	11	.....	1
325	43	.....	3	104	.....	.....	4	300	68	.....	.....	32	1	27
4,898	235	178	38	1,505	7	219	52	4,714	718	4	612	427	12	172
6,269	269	168	30	1,630	11	458	41	6,841	787	11	2,641	508	19	213
11,167	504	346	68	3,135	18	677	93	11,555	1,505	15	3,253	935	31	385

Field of Labor.	Literature.								Finance.	
	Our Bible Teachers.	Lesson Quarterlies.	Children's Friends.	Children's Visitors.	Lessons for the Little Ones.	Woman's Evangels.	Botschafters.	Jugend Pilgers.	Pastor's Salary.	Value of Presents.
Dayton District	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arcanum	15	300	.....	.....	30	13	.....	.....	$750 00	$20 00
Abbottsville	10	150	75	75	60	.....	.....	.....	284 00	30 00
Bowlusville	.....	60	30	30	25	.....	.....	.....	200 00	.....
Dayton First Church	65	425	325	325	100	43	.....	.....	1,800 00	75 00
Dayton Hartford Street	20	300	175	175	75	3	.....	.....	1,000 00	46 75
Dayton High Street	11	175	150	150	80	9	.....	.....	750 00	20 00
Dayton Home Avenue	.....	225	150	150	50	2	.....	.....	900 00	40 00
Dayton N. Main Street	18	175	75	75	55	23	.....	.....	800 00	63 00
Dayton Oak Street	2	225	175	175	100	6	.....	.....	1,100 00	25 00
Dayton Summit Street	.....	200	150	150	100	55	.....	.....	1,000 00	.....
Dayton Miami Chapel	15	150	100	100	50	8	.....	.....	600 00	35 00
Eldorado	6	365	185	130	75	25	.....	.....	700 00	30 00
Greenville	8	75	.....	.....	30	7	.....	.....	700 00	48 00
Harrisburg	8	105	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	86 69	.....
Ithaca	29	511	.....	.....	116	16	.....	.....	652 00	82 00
Mt. Zion	.....	240	20	.....	95	15	.....	.....	526 11	5 00
Springfield	2	250	.....	.....	60	18	.....	.....	700 00	65 00
Salem	9	360	150	100	95	22	.....	.....	580 00	34 70
Union City	6	334	80	80	80	6	.....	.....	675 00	25 00
Vandalia	1	295	140	110	70	.....	.....	.....	650 00	5 00
New Madison	.....	35	30	30	15	.....	.....	.....	39 50	12 50
Total—Dayton	225	4,955	2,020	1,855	1,386	271	.....	.....	$14,493 30	$641 90
Cincinnati District	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beavertown	16	150	75	75	35	1	.....	.....	$600 00	$47 00
Cherry Grove	4	300	60	60	70	14	.....	.....	560 00	10 00
Colerain	.....	70	65	65	35	.....	.....	.....	532 00	75 00
Eaton	10	100	40	.....	20	2	.....	.....	600 00	.....
Germantown	20	215	150	150	35	22	1	.....	800 00	35 00
Harrison	6	114	60	30	53	.....	.....	.....	560 00	25 00
Liberty	24	359	200	160	75	18	.....	.....	600 00	110 50
Lewisburg	21	400	180	180	60	37	.....	.....	700 00	54 70
Miamisburg	15	100	100	100	.....	1	.....	.....	510 00	37 20
Miltonville	5	100	100	85	50	4	.....	.....	500 00	60 00
Middletown	12	175	100	100	50	10	.....	.....	800 00	20 00
Millville	5	60	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	175 00	25 00
Mt. Healthy	.....	75	50	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	414 50	90 00
Moore's Fork	6	125	20	25	30	.....	.....	.....	191 44	6 00
New Haven	18	200	40	.....	60	6	.....	.....	600 00	90 00
Newport	.....	50	.....	.....	25	1	.....	.....	700 00	49 68
Pleasant Hill	20	300	60	60	55	1	.....	.....	593 95	26 00
Second Creek	5	220	.....	.....	65	.....	.....	.....	500 00	40 00
Sulphur Grove	14	215	100	100	57	8	.....	.....	740 00	20 00
Springboro	.....	229	50	50	47	.....	.....	.....	461 00	37 11
West Elkton	34	260	50	50	40	13	.....	.....	510 00	70 00
Total—Cincinnati	235	3,817	1,500	1,290	937	138	1	.....	$11,646 89	$928 19
Total—Dayton	225	4,955	2,020	1,855	1,386	271	.....	.....	14,493 30	641 90
Grand total	460	8,772	3,520	3,145	2,323	409	1	.....	$26,140 19	$1,570 09

FINANCE.

For Church, Parsonage, and Local Society Expenses.	Presiding Elder's Salary.	Bishop's Collection.	Preachers' Aid.	Collected for Local Sunday-School Purposes.	General Collection for Missions.	Thank-Offerings for Foreign Missions.	Woman's Missions.	Special for Missions.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
$2,750 00	$48 52	$3 00	$3 00	$70 00	$34 00	.....	$45 00	.....
100 00	35 00	.....	.....	60 00	1 70	.....	.....	.....
65 96	20 00	2 00	3 00	49 00	10 98	.....	.....	.....
3,762 51	100 00	31 00	45 00	1,343 50	350 00	.....	357 06	$182 00
1,331 64	32 00	5 00	4 00	297 04	55 00	$15 00	.....	122 00
355 50	40 00	6 00	6 00	134 53	70 00	.....	46 24	.....
400 00	32 00	5 00	4 00	194 37	55 00	.....	.....	.....
411 24	30 00	4 00	4 00	224 25	40 00	.....	158 97	.....
900 00	36 00	10 00	8 00	215 00	80 00	.....	.....	.....
943 00	80 00	24 00	25 00	194 90	172 10	13 00	321 53	100 00
320 50	48 00	13 00	6 00	111 84	50 00	.....	42 62	.....
282 36	60 00	17 00	13 00	159 79	160 00	3 60	62 24	.....
435 24	40 00	4 00	2 00	78 51	25 00	25 00	19 00	50 00
100 00	6 43	1 00	.....	23 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
304 12	59 50	13 00	15 00	360 00	113 90	14 00	.....	.....
146 68	62 00	11 00	10 00	95 60	50 00	.....	13 00	.....
408 67	48 00	7 00	7 00	109 40	65 00	.....	186 69	.....
371 93	60 00	7 10	5 92	190 23	78 62	10 00	70 00	5 00
395 00	60 00	13 00	7 00	124 00	56 60	.....	22 00	5 00
1,224 70	64 00	17 00	14 00	225 26	75 00	15 26	77 57	.....
71 70	.....	.....	.....	17 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....
$15,080 76	$951 45	$194 10	$181 92	$4,277 22	$1,548 90	$95 86	$1,421 92	$464 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
$1,981 05	$48 00	$9 00	$10 00	$158 60	$70 00	.....	$5 00	.....
500 00	66 00	15 00	8 00	175 00	125 00	6 15	25 00	$25 00
122 00	48 00	10 00	10 00	63 31	75 00	.....	.....	.....
127 08	28 00	4 00	3 00	40 20	25 00	.....	.....	.....
155 00	64 00	16 00	16 00	171 42	130 00	5 40	101 68	20 00
250 00	40 00	6 00	6 00	50 00	40 00	.....	.....	.....
4,675 38	60 00	16 00	15 00	147 34	120 00	11 65	69 02	.....
485 00	65 00	16 00	10 00	235 00	112 15	9 50	95 00	.....
171 50	40 00	6 00	6 00	136 76	30 00	5 75	.....	.....
300 00	52 00	12 00	9 00	.....	61 00	3 91	.....	.....
253 25	30 00	4 00	3 00	128 73	30 00	.....	5 75	.....
25 00	.....	2 00	2 00	25 37	12 38	.....	.....	.....
118 30	28 00	5 00	5 00	55 00	39 00	.....	.....	.....
19 00	15 00	2 00	2 00	30 46	7 00	.....	.....	.....
285 72	52 00	13 00	9 00	112 20	89 15	10 00	45 00	.....
899 87	28 00	3 00	2 00	63 00	25 00	5 56	.....	.....
250 00	58 00	12 00	5 00	83 00	67 22	3 05	.....	.....
375 00	48 00	2 00	2 00	45 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....
200 00	52 00	13 00	10 00	120 00	135 00	7 50	51 35	.....
248 14	41 50	8 00	6 00	56 00	30 00	2 37	.....	.....
265 00	56 50	12 00	10 00	80 00	60 00	.....	.....	.....
$11,676 29	$920 00	$186 00	$149 00	$1,976 19	$1,312 90	$70 84	$397 80	$45 00
15,080 76	951 45	194 10	181 92	4,277 22	1,548 90	95 86	1,421 92	464 00
$26,657 05	$1,871 45	$380 10	$330 92	$6,253 41	$2,861 80	$166 70	$1,819 72	$509 00

Field of Labor.	FINANCE.							
	Total for Missions. (Omit from Final Total.)	Sabbath School for Missions. (Omit from Final Total.)	Church-Erection Fund.	Special to Church Erection.	Sabbath-School General Fund.	Children's Day Collection.	Union Biblical Seminary.	Educational Beneficiary Fund.
Dayton District..								
Arcanum	$79 00		$7 00	$5 00			$5 00	$2 50
Abbottsville	1 70							
Bowlusville			5 00		3 00		5 00	1 00
Dayton First Ch	889 06	$182 00	66 00	170 00	25 00	$14 85	53 00	25 00
Dayton Hartford St.	193 50		43 00		6 00	7 69	10 00	3 00
Dayton High St	116 24	70 00	38 00		6 00		14 00	5 00
Dayton Home Ave	55 00		27 00		6 00	5 00	10 00	3 00
Dayton N. Main St	298 72	60 00	15 00	18 00	4 00	1 75	8 00	2 00
Dayton Oak St	80 00		38 00	1,000 00	7 00	1 00	12 00	5 00
Dayton Summit St	606 63	100 00	30 00	52 00	9 00	4 00	60 00	12 00
Dayton Miami Chap	92 62	5 00	4 00		3 50		11 00	5 00
Eldorado	225 84	8 29	18 00	67 48	5 00		21 00	11 00
Greenville	69 00		3 00	50 00	1 60	2 00	2 00	1 00
Harrisburg							4 25	1 00
Ithaca	127 90	16 00	15 00		5 00		18 00	8 00
Mt. Zion	63 00	2 78	7 00					1 18
Springfield	251 69	26 46	13 00		4 00		5 00	5 00
Salem	158 62	1 16	17 47	2 25	6 00	3 00	5 48	2 25
Union City	83 60	9 15	7 00	5 00	6 00	1 00	10 00	3 00
Vandalia	90 26	7 45	18 00	81 50			10 00	
New Madison	6 00							
Total—Dayton	$3,488 38	$488 29	$371 47	$1,451 23	$97 10	$40 29	$263 73	$116 93
Cincinnati Dist..								
Beavertown	$75 00	$70 00	$18 00		$9 00		$17 00	$5 00
Cherry Grove	156 15		7 00		3 00		10 00	5 00
Colerain	75 00		5 00		4 00	$5 34	5 00	5 00
Eaton	25 00	2 80	13 00		5 00		5 00	2 00
Germantown	237 08	22 64	31 00	$26 28	16 00	3 68	36 00	8 00
Harrison	40 00		6 00		3 00		6 00	2 00
Liberty	200 67	11 65	16 00		8 00		14 00	5 00
Lewisburg	216 65	25 98	10 00		5 00	4 00	5 00	5 00
Miamisburg	35 75	5 00	14 00	21 50	6 00		6 00	2 00
Miltonville	64 91		10 00		6 00	3 91	3 00	3 00
Middletown	35 75	10 00	10 00		5 00	3 00	5 00	2 00
Millville	12 38		4 00		3 00		3 00	2 00
Mt. Healthy	39 00	6 86	8 00		4 00		3 00	1 00
Moore's Fork	7 00		2 00		1 00		1 00	1 00
New Haven	144 15	11 32	12 00		6 00		10 00	5 00
Newport	30 56		11 00		3 00	1 98	3 00	2 00
Pleasant Hill	70 27		21 00		4 00	1 50	7 00	5 00
Second Creek	30 00		1 00		1 00		1 00	1 00
Sulphur Grove	193 85	15 90	13 00		6 00	4 75	20 00	5 00
Springboro	32 37	1 00	15 00		6 00	1 00	8 00	3 00
West Elkton	60 00		21 00		9 00		15 00	4 00
Total—Cincin	$1,781 54	$183 15	$248 00	$47 78	$109 00	$29 16	$183 00	$73 00
Total—Dayton	3,488 38	488 29	371 47	1,451 23	97 10	40 29	263 73	116 93
Grand total	$5,269 92	$671 44	$619 47	$1,499 01	$206 10	$69 45	$446 73	$189 93

FINANCE.			PROPERTY.							MISC.	
Contributions to Colleges, Academies, and Seminary.	Otterbein University.	General Conference.	Total for All Purposes.	No. Church-Houses.	Value of Church-Houses.	No. New Churches Built.	Value of New Churches Built.	No. of Parsonages.	Value of Parsonages.	Months Employed.	No. Minutes Wanted.
.....	.....	.....	$3,748 02	1	$6,000	1	$6,000	1	$450	12	25
.....	$2 50	$2 50	570 70	4	4,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	10
.....	.....	.....	366 94	1	1,200	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	30
.....	2 00	2 00	9,252 22	1	55,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	200
$792 30	20 00	40 00	3,136 74	1	6,000	.....	.....	1	1,500	12	75
150 12	2 00	5 00	1,511 27	1	5,500	.....	.....	1	1,200	12	50
10 00	3 00	7 00	1,688 37	1	4,700	.....	.....	1	3,000	12	50
.....	2 00	5 00	1,888 96	2	6,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	40
.....	1 00	4 00	4,449 00	1	25,000	.....	.....	1	3,000	12	40
1,000 00	5 00	8 00	3,352 40	1	15,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	70
291 90	20 00	10 00	1,170 46	1	5,000	.....	.....	2	2,800	12	40
12 00	6 00	.....	1,631 21	3	8,200	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	80
.....	12 71	.....	1,511 35	1	5,000	.....	.....	1	1,600	12	25
75 00	.....	.....	137 37	1	1,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	2
.....	.....	2 00	1,698 52	4	6,750	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	75
25 00	10 00	4 00	927 57	4	6,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	40
.....	.....	2 00	1,633 76	1	7,500	.....	.....	1	1,200	12	40
.....	5 00	5 00	1,447 21	4	9,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	65
.....	.....	2 26	1,431 60	3	5,500	.....	.....	1	1,500	12	50
6 00	.....	5 00	2,491 29	3	9,485	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	60
.....	8 00	6 00	146 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
$2,362 32	$99 21	$109 76	$44,198 66	39	$202,835	1	$6,000	10	$16,250	246	1,067
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	$8 00	$6 00	$2,991 65	1	$5,600	.....	.....	1	$1,500	12	70
$50 00	3 00	.....	1,569 15	3	6,000	.....	.....	1	700	12	70
.....	.....	9 00	969 05	5	12,900	.....	.....	1	800	12	45
.....	2 00	2 00	856 28	1	4,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	35
292 00	15 00	13 00	1,968 46	1	10,000	.....	.....	1	1,800	12	50
.....	3 00	2 00	999 00	3	4,800	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	40
.....	15 00	5 00	5,887 89	4	9,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	70
25 00	5 00	11 00	1,848 35	3	13,000	.....	.....	1	2,000	12	100
5 10	2 00	3 00	981 31	1	5,000	.....	.....	1	1,000	12	25
....	2 00	3 00	1,017 82	3	1,050	.....	.....	1	1,000	12	40
.....	2 00	2 00	1,303 73	1	4,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	30
.....	2 00	1 00	281 72	1	3,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	30
.....	.....	.....	770 80	1	3,300	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	50
.....	1 00	1 00	279 90	2	2,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	7
10 40	10 00	8 00	1,347 56	2	7,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	80
.....	2 00	1 00	1,794 53	1	2,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	25
.....	.....	5 85	1,142 61	2	4,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	50
.....	.....	.....	1,046 00	5	8,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	20
300 00	10 00	7 50	1,714 60	3	9,000	.....	.....	1	1,500	12	68
.....	5 00	2 00	930 12	4	9,000	.....	.....	1	1,050	12	40
.....	5 00	5 00	1,122 50	4	4,000	.....	.....	1	800	12	60
$682 50	$92 00	$87 35	$30,823 03	51	$138,650	.....	.....	10	$12,150	252	985
2,362 32	99 21	109 76	44,198 66	39	202,835	1	$6,000	10	16,250	246	1,067
$3,044 82	$191 21	$197 11	$75,021 69	90	$341,485	1	$6,000	20	$28,400	498	2,052

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Churches.—Appointments, 95; organized churches, 94.

Members.—At the beginning of the year, 11,009; received, 1,352; deaths, 117; all other losses, 1,077; at the end of the year, 11,167; net increase, 158.

Young People's Christian Union.—Number of societies, 68; number of members, 3,135; Junior societies, 18; number of members, 677.

Sabbath Schools.—Number of schools, 93; number of scholars enrolled, 11,555; number of teachers and officers, 1,505; number of libraries, 15; number of volumes, 3,253.

Literature.—*Religious Telescopes*, 935; *Quarterly Reviews*, 31; *Watchwords*, 385; *Bible Teachers*, 460; *Lesson Quarterlies*, 8,772; *Children's Friends*, 3,520; *Children's Visitors*, 3,145; *Lessons for the Little Ones*, 2,323; *Woman's Evangels*, 409; *Botschafter*, 1.

Finance.—Pastor's salaries, $26,140.19; value of presents, $1,570.09; local church and parsonage expenses, $26,657.05; presiding elders' salaries, $1,871.45; bishop's collection, $380.10; Preachers' Aid, $330.92; local Sabbath-school collections, $6,253.41; general collection for missions, $2,861.80; thank-offering for missions, $166.70; special to missions, $509; Woman's missions, $1,819.72; total for missions, $5,269.92; Sabbath school for missions, $671.44; Church-Erection Fund, $619.47; Sabbath-school General Fund, $206.10; Children's Day collection, $69.45; Union Biblical Seminary, $446.73; Educational Beneficiary Fund, $189.93; for colleges, academies, and Seminary, $3,044.82; Otterbein University, $191.21; special to church erection, $1,498.31; special for General Conference, $197.11; total for all purposes, $75,021.69.

Property.—Number of church-houses, 90; value of church-houses, $341,485; number of new churches, 1; value of new church, $6,000; number of parsonages, 20; value of parsonages, $28,400.

Miscellaneous.—Time employed by pastors, 498 months; number of minutes wanted, 2,052.

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS.

[OFFICIAL RECORD.]

FIRST DAY.

LEWISBURG, PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO,
September 2, 1896.

MIAMI CONFERENCE met in its eighty-seventh annual session in the United Brethren church at Lewisburg, Ohio, September 2, 1896.

Bishop J. W. Hott, D.D., LL.D., of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, called the Conference to order at 2:15 P.M. Conference joined in singing, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," followed with an invocation by the Bishop. He then read the tenth chapter of Matthew, and made appropriate remarks as to a call to the ministry, its responsibilities and success, after which Rev. J. L. Swain led in prayer.

After Conference roll call, C. J. Burkert was reëlected Recording Secretary and J. W. Kilbourn Statistical Secretary.

It was agreed that the bar of Conference should include the first five rows of pews.

The hours of meeting in session were fixed at 8:30 A.M. and 2 P.M., and adjourn on motion, the morning session to be preceded by a half-hour devotional service.

Conference consented that all committees should be appointed by the Bishop.

The following reporters for daily papers were appointed: Dr. M. R. Drury, Dayton *Daily Herald;* Rev. Jos. H. Mayne,

Dayton *Press;* Rev. S. W. Keister, Dayton *Journal;* Rev. J. G. Huber, Cincinnati *Post;* Rev. G. P. Macklin, Cincinnati *Commercial-Tribune;* Rev. J. W. Flory, Cincinnati *Enquirer.*

The provisional program arranged by the presiding elders for conference anniversaries was approved by Conference.

Members of Conference present during the session:

Albright, W. K., Arnold, G. W., Arthur, E. J., Beckett, J. N., Berger, D., Bohn, Frank H., Bovey, J. W., Bowers, E. W., Bunger, W. L., Burkert, C. J., Bushong, T. F., Cleaver, Wm., Dickey, Sarah A., Dickensheets, D. F., Doughman, J. B., Dunkelberger, A., Eby, J. A., Ervin, S. B., Flory, J. W., Fout, H. H., Garst, H., Grigsby, F. G., Griscel, Geo. T., Hall, Columbus, Halstead, T. J., Hamilton, G. W., Hemphill, G. M., Hemphill, Ruth E., Hippard, S. M., Holtzinger, J. D., Houlton, W. R., Huber, J. G., Huddle, S., Hughes, W. R., Keister, S. W., Kilbourn, J. W., Klinefelter, W. H., Kurtz, C. W., Landis, J. P., Macklin, G. P., Mathews, Geo. M., Mayne, Jos. H., McKee, Wm., Miller, C. W., Nicholas, Ed. S., Niswonger, W. C., Pantle, Jacob, Powell, Geo. T., Pruner, W. J., Replogle, J. M., Saul, E. E., Sechrist, H. A., Shuey, W. J., Swain, J. L., Symmonds, E. W., Vansickle, W. M., Walker, I. M., Yingling, J. E.; traveling in conference, Byrnes, W. W., Kirts, S. S.—60.

Lay delegates present:

Dayton District—Abbottsville, J. B. Dehoff; Arcanum, Martin Rogers; Bowlusville, Warder Dear; Dayton First Church, Prof. A. B. Shauck; Hartford Street, Dr. M. R. Drury; High Street, Jacob M. Kountz; Home Avenue, Alonzo O. Bohn; Miami Chapel, William Bittner; North Main Street, S. B. Maeder; Oak Street, L. M. Mittendorf; Summit Street, Mrs. Lydia McKee; Eldorado, Michael Price; Greenville, W. D. Brumbaugh; Harrisburg, Thomas Beery; Ithaca, A. M. McGrew; Mt. Zion, William Ashbaugh; Salem, Noah Swank; Springfield, George Crawford; Union City, George Parent; Vandalia, ———.

Cincinnati District—Beavertown, Elmer Johns; Cherry Grove, Stephen C. Markley; Colerain, W. S. Norris; Eaton, Daniel Deem; Germantown, Cyrus H. Gilbert; Harrison, M. M. Hayes; Lewisburg, Allen Burkett; Liberty, Amos Zehring; Miamisburg, Charles Welch; Middletown, C. C. Foutz; Millville, ———; Miltonville, George Yost; Moore's Fork, S. M. Ridings; Mt.

Healthy, John Gories; New Haven, Joseph Sater; Newport, Ky., E. J. Robertson; Pleasant Hill, C. M. Benson; Second Creek, J. H. Hancock; Springboro, ———; Sulphur Grove, H. B. Shoup; West Elkton, Jacob Judy. Total number in attendance, 38.

A circular letter from the General Manager of Union Biblical Seminary was read before the Conference, and on motion a special committee was appointed to consider the same. Committee, Revs. G. M. Mathews, J. G. Huber, and S. W. Keister.

Revs. Geo. M. Mathews, W. J. Shuey, and Wm. McKee, and Joseph Sater and C. H. Gilbert were appointed a committee to consider the interest of our Newport Mission.

Rev. C. J. Burkert, Presiding Elder of Cincinnati District, read his annual report, and his character was passed.

REPORT OF CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

To the Bishop, Ministers, and Lay Delegates of Miami Conference.

DEAR BRETHREN: In submitting my annual report of Cincinnati District, I want to express my appreciation to brethren who have assisted me in the work. With the requirements of the various charges it is necessary to make provision for all communion services, and this calls brethren from their own charges on Sabbath, and necessitates calling supplies there. The help of brethren has been enjoyed and been made profitable to the congregations visited.

The work on the district has moved on hopefully, with but few exceptions. The Millville congregation was disheartened at the beginning of the year. Brother Bunger has been faithful, and stands in favor with the congregation and community. If our work is continued there, a change in boundaries will be necessary. The church at Pleasant Valley appointment, Cherry Grove Circuit, has been in almost constant turmoil during the year, growing out of the disaffection of some of the members. Though we have sustained a loss in membership, yet in moral worth and financial support the loss is not so great. The quarterly conference and pastors have proceeded cautiously, so as to save the class from disintegration. Rev. L. A. McGrew resigned this charge in February to accept an appointment from the Woman's Mission Board to Rotufunk, West Africa. Rev. Geo. T. Powell was appointed his successor, and has rendered very acceptable service to the congregation.

Quarterly conference license was granted to Charles E. Plack, of West Elkton Circuit, and Fred Wellner, of Miltonville Circuit.

Arthur W. Denlinger, of Miamisburg, Jacob Sipe, of Lewisburg Circuit, and E. J. Arthur, of Moore's Fork, were recommended by their respective quarterly conferences for Annual Conference membership.

Church Property.—Edwards Chapel, under the care of Eaton quarterly conference, was sold for $150. The proceeds will be applied towards liquidating the indebtedness on Eaton church. Twin Chapel, on Liberty Circuit, after being completed and elegantly furnished, was to have been dedicated on December 29, 1895, but on the evening of December 20 it was set on fire and wholly destroyed, entailing an actual loss of over $4,000. After much delay, the responsibility as to loss was referred to a committee of arbitrators, who, after hearing the testimony in the case, decided that the contractors were the responsible parties, as the trustees had as yet not accepted the building, nor paid their final estimate, the day for final settlement and acceptance being fixed for December 24. The house is being rebuilt. During these many months of waiting and suspense Twin society has worshiped in a temporary structure, and all of the services have been kept up with a good degree of interest. Beavertown church was dedicated by Bishop J. Weaver on July 12. The church is a substantial brick building of modern style, costing $5,647. Brother John Dodds is much interested in the work at this place, and contributed $825 towards the building and has also placed a liberal endowment fund for the use of church, parsonage, and pastor. Five-Mile church, on Cherry Grove Circuit, was remodeled at a cost of $1,100, and has been so modernized by the change that its friends of other years hardly recognize it. May it be a blessing to its worshipers in the years to come as it has been in the half century past. Cherry Grove and Pleasant Valley churches, on the same charge, have also been beautified and made more attractive by a liberal outlay of money. Bloom Rose church is greatly improved by papering, carpeting, and some other internal changes, and the outside of the church was not overlooked. The money needed was solicited by Mrs. Hattie Runyan and Mrs. George Ireton. Improvements of different kinds have been made to church property at Germantown, State Road, Mt. Healthy, and Pleasant Ridge.

Missions.—The results on our mission fields are encouraging; revivals of considerable interest were held on nearly all of them. It will be advisable for Conference, by special committee, to consider carefully our mission work at Newport, Kentucky, and see whether an arrangement can be satisfactorily entered into to help the brethren bear an indebtedness of $1,300 incurred in purchasing our present property. A larger room for worship

is a necessity. If we can bridge over our present crisis, our outlook for permanent success is encouraging.

In the month of June Brother W. S. Norris, Sunday-school superintendent at Mt. Airy, seized an opportunity for organizing a Sunday school in the northern part of Cincinnati. Experienced in city mission work, he selected a good location, rented a room, and organized a Sunday school, which has steadily increased in attendance, and from twelve scholars the first Sabbath it has increased to eighty-one. This part of the city is needing a church, and a canvass from house to house has shown a strong feeling for a church organization. Such as have examined our church discipline express themselves in hearty sympathy with our form of government. Such of us as have looked at the situation carefully think that now we have an excellent opportunity to enter the principal city in our Conference. A plan has been considered by some which will enable us to begin the work at an outlay to the Conference of not more than $300. This matter is submitted to you for prayerful and candid consideration and favorable action, if you can see your way clear as to mission funds.

Finances.—The reports of pastors will show that close financial times are still upon us. Most of them have looked after their collections in good time, beginning early in the year, and persisting during the year. I have urged all pastors to do this. A few permitted other matters to come in, and so in the closing up of the year they have had a hard struggle, with only moderate results. On a number of charges the action of Conference in increasing assessments during this financial stringency has been greatly criticised, and many requests for lowering the assessments are made. It is to be deplored that some of our charges fail to pay deserving pastors what is justly due them.

The Sunday schools are in good condition, with an increased attendance. Four new Y. P. C. U.'s were organized during the year. Definiteness of aim is characterizing more of the societies, and the result is increased activity and closer identification with spiritual church work.

The importance of circulating our Church literature in the family and the Sunday school has been constantly kept before the people, and our pastors and superintendents have done faithful work in this regard. On a few charges the *Telescope* list has decreased, owing to the scarcity of money and a change in the manner of doing business among some brethren. Heretofore subscriptions were taken and payment assumed by the ministers, hoping that by an extension of time a good list could be maintained; but the demands of the Publishing House for payment, and the slowness of some subscribers in paying, has determined them to look after only *cash* subscriptions, and cash

to meet the various demands of the year with many has been scarce.

I have endeavored during the year to be faithful to the work committed to my trust by the Conference. As to how I have succeeded, the brethren on the district may answer. Appreciating the kindness and courtesy extended to me by the ministry and laity throughout the district, and praying "the blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it," upon all, I submit to you my fifth annual report.

Fraternally yours,

C. J. BURKERT.

The names of itinerants engaged in general church work were called for examination, and favorably passed upon.

Upon calling the name of Rev. D. K. Flickinger, D.D., the secretary read the following letter:

GREENSBURG, IND., August 25, 1896.

Rev. C. J. Burkert,

DEAR BROTHER: As you and most of the Miami Conference know, I became a member of the Radical United Brethren Church last December, and have been doing missionary work in said church ever since. When my name is called next week at your annual gathering you will please give notice of my withdrawal from the Miami Conference and the Liberal United Brethren Church. By the time you are through with the examination of character in Lewisburg next week I will be at the fourth annual conference this year already. But for this kind of work now pressing me I should be at Lewisburg with you. With best wishes for your welfare and the members of Miami Conference, I am

Yours sincerely,

D. K. FLICKINGER.

After reading the letter, the Conference ordered that the name be taken from the Conference, he having irregularly withdrawn from the Church.

A letter from Rev. L. A. McGrew, missionary in Africa, was read before Conference, and the Secretary was instructed to make an appropriate response expressive of our interest in himself and wife and the work they represent.

Rev. S. W. Keister was incapacitated for work at the last session of Conference. After regaining strength for

active work, he accepted Westmoreland charge, in Allegheny Conference, and stated that in soul-saving it was the best year of his ministry. One hundred and fifty-six persons were converted.

Rev. W. J. Shuey, the senior member of Conference,—having entered in 1848,—gave a short review of his ministerial work. Fifty years ago he first met with Miami Conference, then in session at Otterbein Chapel, Darke County, Ohio, he being nineteen years of age. His active ministerial work began on Lewisburg Circuit forty-seven years ago, and therefore many pleasant memories were revived. Though out of the itineracy for thirty-two years, yet he enjoys preaching the word, and keeps young in heart and fresh in spirit, and is in fullest sympathy with the younger members of Conference. At the conclusion of his interesting and tender remarks Conference joined in singing "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love."

A letter from Rev. D. E. Myers, chaplain of the Marion Branch, National Soldiers' Home, was read by Rev. W. J. Shuey. He was then requested to reply to the same, conveying the greetings of the Conference.

The announcement was made that Mr. James Applegate, of Dayton, was sick, and would not be able to attend the conference. He has attended every session during the past fifty-six years, and greatly desired to be present at this one. He was converted at Lewisburg, and was a charter member of this society, and though eighty-six years of age now, he maintains his deep interest in the Church and its work.

Bishop Hott made the following announcements:

COMMITTEES.

Devotional Committee—Revs. Geo. W. Arnold, W. C. Niswonger, S. W. Keister.

Boundaries and Finance—Revs. J. L. Swain, C. J. Burkert, Geo. M. Mathews, G. W. Hamilton, E. E. Saul, and Joseph Sater and Noah Swank.

SPECIAL TREASURERS.

Conference Collection—Dr. M. R. Drury.
Biblical Seminary—C. W. Miller.
General Sunday-School Fund—W. J. Shuey.
Otterbein University—J. W. Flory.
General Conference Expenses—S. M. Hippard.
Preachers' Aid—H. A. Sechrist.
Missionary and Church Erection—J. L. Swain.

Conference adjourned. Prayer by Rev. S. M. Hippard.

Wednesday evening was given to the discussion of the missionary and church-erection interests. Rev. J. A. Eby presided. The session was largely attended, and had very great interest. The addresses of Dr. Wm. McKee and Dr. W. M. Bell were able and stirring.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, September 5, 1896.

The devotional meeting was conducted by Dr. M. R. Drury.

Conference session opened at 8:30 A.M., Bishop Hott presiding. After roll call the minutes of Wednesday's session were read and approved.

Conference agreed that the hour of 10 A.M. on Friday be given to the Mutual Beneficial Society for the transaction of its business. It was also ordered that the lay delegates convene in session at that hour for special business.

Dr. E. S. Gillette, agent of the American Bible Society for Ohio, was introduced to Conference, and accepted an invitation to make some remarks relative to the progress of the society's work. After listening to his address it was agreed that a committee be appointed to meet Dr. Gillette and confer with him as to the needs of the society, and to have appropriate action taken by Conference. Revs. G. P. Macklin, J. L. Swain, S. W. Keister, committee.

The examination of supernumerary, superannuated, and local ministers was begun and concluded.

Rev. C. W. Miller stated that forty-one years ago he became a member of Auglaize Conference, and thirty-two years ago became a member of Miami by transfer and has always been present at the first roll call of each session. He requested a loving and tender remembrance of his wife, who is sorely afflicted. She has been to him a worthy helpmeet for forty-one years.

Rev. W. G. Wells died during the year, and his name was referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

Revs. J. D. Holtzinger, W. J. Shuey, and T. F. Bushong were announced as Committee on Memoirs.

On the call of the name of Frank V. Bear, it was stated that he had not attended a session of conference and had had no communication with it for two or more years, and that he was preaching for the Protestant Episcopal Church, and it is commonly reported that he has joined said Protestant Episcopal Church; therefore,

Resolved, That the Miami Conference considers that Frank V. Bear has, of choice, withdrawn irregularly from the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, and that his name, therefore, be stricken from the Conference roll.

Rev. J. L. Swain, Presiding Elder of Dayton District, read his report, after which his character was passed.

REPORT OF DAYTON DISTRICT.

To the Bishop and Members of Miami Conference, Greeting.

It is with feelings of profound gratitude to our Heavenly Father for his merciful dealings with me and mine and you and yours that I submit to you this annual report of the Dayton District.

Resignations and Appointments.—At the beginning of the year Rev. W. R. Hughes resigned the Abbottsville charge, and Rev. J. W. Bovey was appointed to it, and served it during the year. Rev. M. B. Spayd, of East Pennsylvania Conference, a student of Union Biblical Seminary, who was appointed to the Bowlusville charge one year ago, served it until the close of the Seminary year, when he resigned, and Rev. W. L. Bunger, of our own

Conference, was appointed to fill the vacancy, and served Bowlusville in connection with the Millville charge, to which he was appointed at our last session, to the close of the year. Rev. D. Barshinger, of Pennsylvania Conference, a student of Union Biblical Seminary, who was appointed to Harrisburg, resigned at the close of the Seminary year, and Rev. S. S. Kirts, of Central Ohio Conference, a student of the Seminary, was appointed to the charge, and served it to the close of the year.

Spiritual Fruits.—The saving power of the word and Spirit of God fell on most of the charges of the district, and as a result 635 souls were converted and the membership greatly edified. There were 6,164 members on the district at the beginning of the year, and 724 were received during the year, making the whole number in the Church on the district during the year 6,888.

Financial Review.—Financially, this has been one of the most trying years in the history of our Conference, and every interest has suffered from the financial depression through which the country is passing.

Pastors' Salaries.—At the beginning of the year there was a disposition on a number of the charges to pay less salary than was paid the year previous, and although I did all that I could to prevent such reductions they were made on a few charges. Of the twenty charges composing the district thirteen paid the full amount promised at the beginning of the year and the remaining seven failed to meet the full amount agreed upon. The total amount of salaries promised was $14,515, the total amount paid was $14,225, leaving a deficiency of $290.

Benevolent Assessments.—As a result of the persistent insistence on the part of those most directly concerned in the assessments made on our Conference by the General Conference, these assessments were all increased, bringing them up to the full amount required by the General Conference. This, with the addition of the General Conference expense assessment, materially increased the aggregate of the assessments for the year. This increase at a time of financial depression was most unfortunate, and has served to discourage our people and to increase the difficulty of making collections, and the result has been that on many charges less money has been secured this year for these various interests than formerly.

Literature.—Our Church publications, while not as greatly appreciated by our people as their merits demand, are fairly well supported by them. The Sunday-school publications are more than ever in favor with our schools, and, as a result, the Conference chart will, I think, show an increase in their circulation. *Religious Telescope:* There were 504 *Telescopes* reported from the district last year, and 498 for this year—a decrease of 6. While this excellent periodical is highly prized and very helpful in the

homes where it is taken and read, it is to be regretted that a greater number of our people are not subscribers to and readers of the *Religious Telescope*. The *Woman's Evangel*, *Search Light*, *Watchword*, and *Quarterly Review* are excellent periodicals of their respective classes, and have a fairly good circulation on the district, there being 208 *Evangels*, 138 *Watchwords*, 30 *Search Lights*, and 18 *Quarterly Reviews* taken.

Y. P. C. U.—It gives me great pleasure that there is a growing interest in the young people's work on the district. A number of societies have introduced a Bible-study feature in their meetings, which cannot but result in good. There were twenty-eight societies at the beginning of the year; four new societies were organized during the year, making the present number thirty-two.

Church Improvements, and Church Debts Paid.—The Vandalia society improved and beautified their house of worship with a new floor, new roof, new windows, new pews, and a furnace, at a cost of $1,500. Dayton First Church gave their house a general renovation, repapered the auditorium, put new cushions in the pews, painted the front of the church, and made a number of other needed and useful improvements, at a cost of $1,250, and also paid a debt of $1,547, making a total expenditure for improvements and debt of $2,797. The church at Arcanum, which was commenced last year, is nearing completion, and will be dedicated in October; it will cost $6,500. Minor improvements were made and small debts paid by other societies. The total amount expended on the district for improvements and in paying debts was $6,859.

Licensed to Preach and Recommended to this Conference.—Three persons were licensed to preach and two recommended for membership in this Conference.

Conclusion.—There were 78 quarterly conferences held on the district during the year; of these I held 74 in person and 4 were held by others. I preached 175 sermons. Received as salary $957. The cost of serving the district, in traveling expenses and assistance in holding the quarterly services, was $72.75. I take this opportunity of thanking the brethren who assisted me in holding the quarterlies, and all others both in the ministry and laity for the many kindnesses shown me during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. Swain.

Rev. W. J. Pruner, Committee on Church Erection, reported, which report, on motion, was adopted.

REPORT ON CHURCH ERECTION.

The command of the great Head of the church is, "Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations." This command is imperative. In no period of the history of the church of Christ has she been more determined, more aggressive and persistent in her efforts to evangelize and save the nations than in the evening of the nineteenth century. The church is marshaling her agencies and concentrating her hosts that she may break the power of the enemy and plant permanently her organized forces, so as not only to hold for all time to come the ground already taken, but that she may earnestly and eagerly push forward to greater conquests, until the whole world shall be subdued unto Christ and he be crowned Lord of all.

The great missionary movement of our times is unquestionably the leading factor in the accomplishment of this blessed work. But we believe that the building and maintenance of houses of worship is another most important factor, and that it is most intimately and vitally related to the missionary work, and that it cannot be dispensed with or neglected without seriously and permanently damaging the cause of Christ; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That the Church-Erection Society shall have our hearty sympathy, earnest prayers, financial support, and continued coöperation.

2. That we will gladly distribute among our people leaflets, tracts, and other literature that may be furnished, that the Church may be better informed as to the object and work of the Church-Erection Society.

3. That we will use due diligence in making our annual collections, and shall be glad to raise the entire assessment of ten cents per member.

4. That we insist that the loans from the society be returned to the treasurer as soon as possible after the time of the loan expires, and that strictly business principles be observed throughout the entire work of the society.

5. That the secretary of the society, Rev. W. M. Weekley, has our prayers and best wishes for success in his work, and that we believe him to be eminently fitted for the position he occupies.

W. J. PRUNER, *Committee.*

On motion, the Conference resolution of the session of 1894, relating to the ordination of Rev. Sarah E. Dickey, was renewed.

Rev. S. W. Keister read the report of the Committee on Bible Cause, and Conference adopted the same.

WHEREAS, The American Bible Society, with its history of eighty years, has proven its worth by age, and its excellent work in the distribution of thousands of copies of the Word of God in this and foreign lands; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we have heard with pleasure Rev. E. S. Gillette, State agent, and accord to him and the work he represents our sympathies and prayers.

2. That we commend the good work to our churches and Sabbath schools, and ask, so far as practicable, that collections be taken during the year and forwarded to Rev. W. J. Shuey, whom we appoint as our Conference treasurer.

G. P. MACKLIN,
S. W. KEISTER,
J. L. SWAIN,
Committee.

Rev. W. L. Richardson, of Lenoir City, and member of Tennessee Conference, was introduced and admitted to an advisory seat.

The reading of reports of active itinerants was begun, and their characters were passed upon.

After reading the report of Oak Street Church, Dayton, Conference joined in singing a stanza of "I love to tell the story," a favorite hymn with Brother John Dodds, after which, by request of Conference, Bishop Hott offered a prayer of tenderness and warmth in behalf of Brother Dodds, whose presence is greatly missed at our Conference session.

Conference adjourned. Prayer by Dr. D. Berger.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. A. Dunkelberger.

Conference resumed its business at 2 P. M., with Bishop Hott in the chair.

The letter of transfer granted to Rev. I. N. Higgins was referred to the Committee on Applicants for the Ministry; Dr. S. B. Ervin, H. H. Fout, S. M. Hippard, committee.

The following paper was introduced and passed:

WHEREAS, Our present method of disposing of the several Conference funds, by paying to six or more collectors, is unbusinesslike and very perplexing; therefore,

Resolved, That we elect at each annual session one who shall be recognized as Conference treasurer at the subsequent session, said treasurer to receive all moneys coming to the Conference, except for missions and for Church Erection, and when all moneys are received report to the Conference the amount received for each, when he shall settle with the Church treasurers of the different funds, taking receipts for the same.

S. W. KEISTER.
M. R. DRURY.

Rev. J. G. Huber, chairman of Committee on First Year's Course of Reading, reported. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FIRST YEAR'S READING COURSE.

Six out of the class of the first year's course of reading appeared before the Committee for examination.

R. A. Longman, now the pastor of our church at York, Nebraska, passed his examinations before President Reese, and received grades as follows: Homiletics, 90; Harris's Great Commission, 90; Life of Otterbein, 93; Companion to the Bible, 83; Theology, 87; Confession of Faith, 94. He also submitted a very excellent written sermon. Being a graduate of Otterbein University, he was passed in the remaining studies of the first year's course. We classify him as "very good," and recommend him for the second year's course.

G. M. Hemphill was examined and graded as follows: Homiletics, 83; Life of Otterbein, 90; Confession of Faith, 85. He presented a well-prepared sermon outline. We classify him as "good." He desires to continue in the first year's course.

Ruth E. Hemphill was examined in the same branches and received grades as follows: Homiletics, 80; Life of Otterbein, 90; Confession of Faith, 88. She handed in also a very carefully written paper on "Womanhood and Society Ties." We grade her as "good." She also desires to continue in first year's course.

Jacob Pantle received grades as follows: Confession of Faith and Government, 80; Theology, 70; Great Commission, 75. He submitted a paper on "Prayer" that had many good points. We classify him as "medium." This completes his work in first year's course.

W. R. Hughes was graded as follows: Homiletics, 95; Life of Otterbein, 95; Great Commission, 90; Companion to the Bible,

90. His Seminary grades were: Theology, 87; Biblical History, 90; Rhetoric, 85. He offered an excellent written sermon on Prov. 8:19. He is classified "very good," and will pass into the second year.

J. M. Beckett completed his work with an examination on Theology; grade, 80. We classify him "good."

The remaining members of the class—Harry Haller, W. L. Bunger, Samuel Zechar, Wm. T. Frank, and Geo. A. Wahl—are students at Otterbein or the Seminary, and we recommend that they remain in the first year's course.

Very respectfully,

J. A. Eby,
A. Dunkelberger,
J. G. Huber,
Committee.

Your Committee on First Year's Reading Course would report on the work of Brother E. S. Nicholas. His grades are: Rhetoric, 93; Theology, 60; Barrows's Companion to the Bible, 85; Great Commission, 55; Homiletics, 45, making his average a little below medium. We recommend that he pass in theology, rhetoric, and Companion to the Bible, and be retained in the remaining branches another year.

J. A. Eby,
J. G. Huber.

Rev. Mr. Boltin, of Central Ohio Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, was introduced to Conference.

E. J. Arthur, of Moore's Fork quarterly conference, and David F. Dickensheets, of Hartford Street quarterly conference, were, on motion, referred to the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry.

Before hearing the report on missions, prepared by Rev. E. W. Bowers, Conference joined in singing an appropriate hymn, after which Rev. H. H. Fout offered a fervent prayer in behalf of our missionaries and their appointed work, then the following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

This is preëminently the age of Christian missions. No century since the days of Christ has seen so intense a missionary life and spirit as exist at the close of this one. Christian missions of today are one of the wonders of this world. We seem to be on the eve of a great spiritual missionary Pentecost. The cloven tongues of fire are already resting on some, and the noise of the rushing,

mighty wind can be heard in the distance. "God is coming; prepare the way."

There never before were so many consecrated young men and women as are now knocking at the doors of our mission boards, saying, "'Here am I; send me.' Christ has said, 'Go,' and I am ready to obey that command." But the need of the hour is *give* and *support*, as well as go and disciple all nations. Operations for the salvation of souls in the foreign field must have their basis of supply in the home field. Let the Christian believe the promise, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over," and the coming Pentecost is upon us.

We rejoice in the progress of our work, both in the home and foreign field.

We join hands with our sisters in their conference and general work, bidding them God speed, and would cheer them with a song until that time when the "sowers shall overtake the reapers."

We commend the *Search Light* and *Woman's Evangel* to all our people as worthy of their perusal and support, and pledge anew our efforts to circulate more fully these papers among our people.

We rejoice with our missionaries in Africa, as well as with the whole Church, for a place of rest and recuperation, so much needed in the past, on African soil.

We congratulate the Board of Missions on its increased contributions, looking towards the one hundred thousand dollar line. This, and the hopeful outlook for all our mission work, ought to spur us on to greater sacrifice in the support and the extending of the Lord's kingdom, to hasten the coming of Him whose glory shall be revealed in all his saints, until he who watches the battle now shall sound the bugle of recall, to lay the trophies of a world redeemed at his feet and bear away a crown of life.

E. W. Bowers, *Committee.*

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Inasmuch as the last General Conference declared that the time had come when the offerings for missions by our denomination should come up to one hundred thousand dollars per annum, and inasmuch as the above sum was designated as the goal for the present quadrennium, and inasmuch as we believe the realization of this standard is a possibility, and that the putting of fifty thousand dollars into our general treasury at Dayton, Ohio, and a like sum into the conference treasuries on or before May 1, 1897, end of Board year, would be pleasing to God and would vastly augment and quicken the life of our denomination; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we hereby declare our approval of the proposal to reach the hundred thousand line by May 1, 1897.

2. That we pledge ourselves to this campaign by the presentation of the cause of missions by sermons and other suitable exercises, and by taking offerings in each congregation, leading up to May 1, 1897, or the end of the Board year and of the current quadrennium.

3. That we will lay special and timely emphasis on the thank-offering of the coming autumn, with a view to raising at least five thousand dollars.

4. That we will devote special attention to the securing of special contributions to either home or foreign missions, as donors may prefer, and all such special contributions shall be at once reported to the general treasury at Dayton, Ohio, or to the conference treasuries.

5. That one-half of all moneys raised for the general fund shall be at once forwarded to the general treasury.

Dr. G. M. Mathews, Conference member of the Board of Missions, gave a report of the doings and prospective plans of the Parent Board in a stirring address. He was followed by Revs. G. P. Macklin, W. J. Shuey, Wm. McKee, and Bishop Hott with interesting and inspiring remarks.

The following resolution was introduced and passed:

Resolved, That we memorialize the next General Conference to provide an order that hereafter all collections on Children's Day be devoted to missions, to be paid into the general missionary treasury of the Church.

W. J. SHUEY.
C. J. BURKERT.

Conference adjourned. Prayer by Dr. W. H. Klinefelter.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The Sunday-school anniversary was held on Thursday evening at 7:30, Rev. E. W. Bowers, the Conference Sunday-school secretary, presiding. The first topic, "The Children of To-Day the Heirs of To-Morrow," was ably presented by Dr. S. B. Ervin. The second theme, "The Home Department—What is It, How to Introduce It," was

presented in its practical phase by Rev. E. E. Saul. These speakers were followed by others interested in these subjects. It was the best anniversary held for years.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, September 4, 1896.

Rev. G. W. Arnold, of Springfield, conducted the half-hour devotional service.

Conference convened at 8 : 30 A. M., Bishop Hott presiding. The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Conference agreed that the nomination of delegates to be elected in November to the next General Conference take place at 10 : 30 A. M.

The Special Committee on Union Biblical Seminary submitted its report. It was discussed, and on motion recommitted, after which Conference adjourned to give the Mutual Beneficial Society an opportunity to transact its business.

Bishop Hott called the lay delegates in separate convention to nominate laymen for lay delegates to General Conference. They organized by electing Prof. A. B. Shauck, of Dayton, chairman, and William D. Brumbaugh, of Greenville, secretary.

At 10 : 30 Conference resumed its regular order of business.

Bishop J. Weaver, D.D., was cordially welcomed by the Conference. The presence of the venerable Bishop was a pleasing incident of the day. He presided a short time, assisting Bishop Hott.

Rev. Mr. Kellar, pastor of the Reformed Church at Lewisburg, was introduced to Conference.

Conference agreed to hear Miss Carrie Baker, the representative of Miami Branch, Woman's Missionary Association, at 3 : 30 P. M. to-day.

Revs. J. A. Eby and J. W. Flory were appointed tellers on ballot cast for ministerial delegates to General Conference.

Conference passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That a sum not less than five per cent. of pastor's salary, as reported to the chart this year, be assessed for the presiding elder's salary for the coming year.

Rev. H. A. Sechrist, Committee on Sabbath Schools, read his report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

One of the mighty agencies employed by the church of Christ for the evangelization of the world is the Sabbath school. It supplements parental instruction in religious matters, and where there is no such home training it to some extent supplies its place, and thus becomes the strong right arm of the church in saving, educating, and training the rising generation for faithful and successful work in the Master's vineyard.

From the success of the Sabbath school in the past, its potent influence and wide field in the present, the church of Christ is under obligation to encourage and support it in all of its departments to the utmost extent of her ability; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That we will endeavor to get as many of our people and children into the Sabbath school as possible.

2. That we will endeavor to interest those that cannot attend the Sabbath school at the church, in the home department.

3. That all our schools should have at least one rallying day annually.

4. That Children's Day should be observed by all schools.

5. That, wherever practicable, teachers' meetings and normal work should be earnestly encouraged.

6. That we are delighted with the Sabbath-school supplies published by our Publishing House at Dayton, Ohio, and rejoice in their large circulation, not only in our Conference and Church, but also outside of our denomination; and that we will more than ever support our own Sabbath-school literature, and discourage the use of foreign Sabbath-school supplies.

7. That we rejoice in having such an able representative of our Church on the International Lesson Committee as Bishop E. B. Kephart, D.D., LL.D., of Baltimore, Maryland.

H. A. SECHRIST, *Committee.*

Conference adjourned. Benediction by Bishop Weaver.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Rev. Ruth E. Hemphill conducted the opening service.

Conference resumed its business at 2 P.M. The roll of Conference was called.

It was agreed that the delivering of the pioneer address, by Dr. H. Garst, be made the order for 2 P.M. on Saturday.

The hour for memorial services in memory of Rev. W. G. Wells was fixed at 3:30 P.M. Saturday.

The tellers reported the following names of ministers as receiving a majority of votes; of these, *four* are to be elected at the November church election: C. J. Burkert, J. L. Swain, J. W. Kilbourn, G. M. Mathews, W. J. Shuey, Wm. McKee, G. P. Macklin, H. Garst, S. W. Keister, S. M. Hippard, S. B. Ervin, W. J. Pruner.

The laymen in separate convention nominated G. W. Hartzell, Greenville; W. H. Berger, Springfield; John Dodds, Dayton; Joseph Sater, New Haven; Hon. S. E. Kemp, Dayton; Col. R. Cowden, Dayton. Of these, *two* are to be chosen at the election in November.

In the election of delegates the following order is to be observed (Discipline, pages 53, 54):

"The leaders and stewards of each local church shall constitute a board of election, who shall, by the pastor, be furnished a copy of the list of persons nominated; and the election shall be held invariably in the month of November next preceding the sitting of the General Conference.

"It shall be the duty of each board of election publicly to announce, at least one week before the election, a meeting of the members of the respective churches, for the purpose of electing by ballot their delegates to represent them in General Conference."

The following action was taken by Conference:

That a committee of three, consisting of Prof. A. B. Shauck, L. M. Mittendorf, and S. B. Maeder, with W. G. Tanner, E. M. Glancy, and John Mathias as alternates, be appointed as a board

of tellers, to act in accordance with the provision of the Discipline respecting the votes cast for delegates to next General Conference in May, 1897.

The post-office address of this committee is Dayton, Ohio.

The Committee on Boundaries reported. The report was slightly amended and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BOUNDARIES.

Cincinnati District.

1. That Beavertown, Cherry Grove, Eaton, Germantown, Liberty, Lewisburg, Miamisburg, Middletown, Miltonville, New Haven, Newport, Sulphur Grove, and West Elkton remain unchanged.
2. That New Madison be added to Pleasant Hill Circuit, and that it be called Pleasant Hill and New Hope Circuit.
3. That Second Creek, Midland City, Pleasant Ridge, Shiloh, and Moore's Fork constitute Second Creek Circuit.
4. That Williamsburg, Bloom Rose, and Union Plains constitute Williamsburg Mission.
5. That Zion, Mt. Airy, Bethel, and Bevis constitute Colerain Circuit.
6. That Harrison, Rockdale, Millville, Georgetown, and Miami Church constitute Harrison and Millville charge.
7. That Mt. Healthy and South Cumminsville constitute Mt. Healthy and South Cumminsville charge.
8. That Springboro, Utica, and Oregonia constitute Springboro Circuit, and that Harveysburg be committed to the care of Springboro quarterly conference.
9. That Jacksonsburg be committed to the care of Miltonville quarterly conference.
10. That Seven Mile Church be committed to the care of Middletown quarterly conference.
11. That Low Chapel and Winchester Church be committed to the care of West Elkton quarterly conference.

Dayton District.

1. That Arcanum, Bowlusville, Dayton First Church, Dayton Hartford Street, Dayton High Street, Dayton Home Avenue, Dayton North Main Street, Dayton Oak Street, Dayton Summit Street, Dayton Miami Chapel, Eldorado, Greenville, Harrisburg, Ithaca, Mt. Zion, Springfield, Salem, Union City, and Vandalia remain unchanged.
2. That Pleasant Grove be committed to the care of Mt. Zion quarterly conference.

3. That Abbottsville, Oakland, and Grandview be committed to the care of the presiding elder of Dayton District.

J. L. Swain,
C. J. Burkert,
G. W. Hamilton,
E. E. Saul,
Joseph Sater,
N. Swank,
Committee.

The reading of chart reports was resumed.

After singing two stanzas from "My country, 'tis of thee," the itinerant list was revised.

C. W. Miller's name was transferred from the supernumerary list to the active itinerant list.

Revs. C. J. Burkert and J. L. Swain were reëlected presiding elders.

Revs. W. J. Pruner and G. M. Mathews, of Dayton District, and J. W. Flory and J. G. Huber, of Cincinnati District, were elected to assist in stationing the presiding elders.

At this juncture of the proceedings Rev. W. J. Shuey read a letter from Bowlby & Clement, attorneys, of Berlin, Ontario, in reference to the Port Elgin, Ontario, United Brethren church case. This had been decided against the Liberals in the Common Pleas Court, and by them carried to the Court of Appeals, which court, in an elaborate and learned discussion, overruled the lower court, and unanimously decided in favor of the Liberals. The Radicals then gave notice of an appeal to the Supreme Court of the Canadian Dominion, and later gave bond for the costs. The letter stated that the Radicals have now withdrawn the appeal altogether. This settles the case in all the Dominion, and gives the Liberals undisputed possession and ownership of forty-one houses of worship and the prestige resulting from many years of faithful labor by a devoted ministry. The whole Church has reason to be thankful for this final and righteous settlement of our Church litigation in Canada.

A pleasing feature of the afternoon's session, at 3:30 o'clock, was the hearing of words of greeting from the Woman's Missionary Association through its fraternal delegate, Miss Carrie Baker, of Dayton, Ohio. "She made a brief and exceedingly felicitous address, which was highly appreciated." At its close the congregation joined in singing "My hope is built on nothing less," after which Rev. J. G. Huber, of Germantown, led the Conference in a tender and fervent prayer.

ADDRESS BY THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MIAMI BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS OF MIAMI CONFERENCE AND FELLOW-WORKERS FOR CHRIST: I bring you greetings to-day from your co-workers, the godly women of this Conference, who have heard Christ's call to labor in the field of missions both at home and abroad. We bring you greeting to-day, because one is your Master, even Christ, and ye all are our brethren.

Our work is one; it is for our common Master Christ, who has called us from sin to righteousness and hath given us commission to carry the gospel unto the uttermost parts of the earth. It was not intended that the gospel should be preached by men alone, for we have in the word of God, "The Lord giveth the word: the women that publish the tidings are a great host." And to-day as we stand in the light of the gospel truth we need to be more earnest and fulfill the command of Christ, Go ye and preach my gospel. We cannot stand alone in this great work, but each needs the other to help in furthering the cause. The churches would be sadly crippled to-day without their force of godly women, who aid by their prayers and coöperation in the financial work of the church, and encourage the pastor by their attendance at public service.

The success that has attended the Woman's Missionary Association of the United Brethren Church is not due wholly to their own efforts but partly to the aid that has been so kindly given by the ministers of the gospel. You aid us by your prayers and your missionary sermons, in awakening to new interest those that are sometimes asleep to this cause from lack of information. Your advice is ever welcome and your leadership is a constant inspiration. When the local society feels that they have the minister to encourage and help them, they are better able to face discouragements, and thus out of these locals has grown the great central body that Christ has delighted to own.

Last year the amount raised for the Sanitarium by Miami Branch was $300. This was raised by assessing each local a certain sum. This year $3,000 is to be raised specially for the general fund, and if each local in the branch will accept the same amount that was due them last year on their assessment, as their part in the work of raising this amount, we shall not fall below our standard. Let us, then, work together as never before.

On behalf of the Woman's Missionary Association, I give you both our greeting and our benediction. We wish this to be the best conference you have enjoyed in all the history of the past, and that the coming new year of service may be to each of you the best you have ever seen in your ministry.

"May the spirit of God dwell in you richly," and may your flocks be led by you into pastures rich in food and of beauty most inspiring. May souls won, believers strengthened, and Christ exalted, mark your pathway.

Brethren, pray for us, and follow the apostolic injunction, to help those women who labor with you in the gospel.

CARRIE BAKER,
Secretary of Miami Branch.

Rev. J. G. Huber was appointed to bear the greetings of Conference to the Miami Branch of the Woman's Board at its annual session next spring at Springfield.

Rev. C. W. Kurtz, Committee on Education, reported. The report was discussed and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

WHEREAS, Intellect is the channel through which the heart and inner life are influenced and developed for usefulness and power, and higher education and Christian culture is the demand of this present age in any department of life; and,

WHEREAS, Our colleges and Union Biblical Seminary, which are so well equipped with Christian teachers and professors, and by means of their liberal courses of study and religious influences are prepared to supply this demand for education and culture to both the ministry and laity; and,

WHEREAS, Lack of information is the great cause of lack of interest in our institutions of learning, and in their liberal support; be it

Resolved, 1. That we, as ministers, in every way possible inform the members on our charges in reference to the work being done and the needs of our colleges and Seminary.

2. That we also give to these institutions our hearty support

in the way of collecting the assessments allotted to our various fields of labor by this Conference.

3. That we rejoice over the success of Union Biblical Seminary and the excellent work it is doing in furnishing for our Church a better-equipped and more efficient ministry; that we continue our support to the Seminary and heartily coöperate with the manager and board of trustees in the celebration of its silver anniversary, and in securing the balance of the sixty thousand dollars needed to pay its debts and place it on a firm financial basis.

4. That we recognize that this is the semicentennial year and golden jubilee of Otterbein University, and as a Conference we will comply with the request of the board of trustees by appointing one of our number to deliver a semicentennial educational address at our next session.

5. That we also comply with the request of the board of trustees that this semicentennial be observed in each charge of the Conference by an educational address by the pastor, or by some one appointed by him, at some suitable time not later than the month of May, 1897, and that in connection with these meetings, instead of the assessment, there be an effort to raise not less than twenty-five cents per member for the University. Any minister in charge who shall secure an average of not less than twenty-five cents per member shall be entitled to report the amount to the chart as full, and his name shall be reported to the University to be placed upon a roll of honor to be preserved in the archives of the University.

We approve the purpose of the finance committee of the University to raise $17,500 to pay the bonded indebtedness of the University, and commend the effort to the membership of the Conference.

6. That we continue to appreciate the good work accomplished by means of our fund for beneficiary education in assisting candidates for the ministry to prepare themselves more thoroughly for work and usefulness in our Church, and that we continue to support the Board of Education in this work.

C. W. KURTZ, *Committee.*

The Special Committee on Union Biblical Seminary reported. The report was discussed, amended, and adopted.

SPECIAL REPORT ON UNION BIBLICAL SEMINARY.

WHEREAS, We regard Union Biblical Seminary at Dayton, Ohio, as an institution of great value, and its proper maintenance vital to every department of our Church work; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we most heartily endorse the plans and efforts to raise a Quarter-Centennial Fund of $60,000 for said institution, and do most earnestly urge all our people to aid in this enterprise.

2. That we regard the late provisions submitted by the general manager in his letter to this Conference for the completion of the canvass for the $60,000 as wise, economical, and practical, and therefore most cheerfully accept the amount estimated for this Conference, namely, $2,500, and pledge the securing of the same within the next five years in equal annual installments.

G. M. Mathews,
J. G. Huber,
S. W. Keister,
Committee.

Conference expressed itself as in hearty sympathy with the plan of the general manager for raising the full $60,000, and cordially invites him to all of our charges in the Conference to assist in raising the $2,500 yet asked of Miami Conference in meeting its proportionate share.

Rev. W. L. Richardson made some remarks concerning the church work at Lenoir City, Tennessee, which were cordially received by the large audience present.

Conference adjourned. Prayer by Rev. E. W. Bowers.

FRIDAY EVENING.

The educational meeting was in charge of Rev. G. P. Macklin, of Dayton. The program rendered was as follows: Singing by the congregation; prayer by Rev. W. L. Richardson, of Lenoir City, Tennessee; Scripture reading by Rev. G. W. Arnold, of Springfield; address by Rev. G. P. Macklin on "Our Relation to the Public Schools"; address by Prof. H. Garst, D.D., on "The Semi-centennial of Otterbein University, or Fifty Fruitful Years for God and Humanity"; address by Prof. S. D. Faust, D.D., on "Relation to Our Theological School."

The address of Mr. Macklin was a strong, patriotic, and

Christian plea for the splendid public school system of our country.

Dr. Garst reviewed the history of Otterbein University, the oldest educational institution of the United Brethren Church, during the past fifty years. He spoke of the influence of higher education during these years in stimulating the life and growth of the Church. Fifty years ago the Church membership was but 33,000; now it is a quarter of a million. This growth in numbers, in many respects, is due largely to the influence begotten by this school. As Dr. Garst reviewed the fruits of Otterbein University he grew grandly eloquent, making, without doubt, one of the most impressive addresses of his life. He has been a teacher in the college twenty-seven years, and therefore bears testimony of its fruits chiefly from personal knowledge.

Dr. Faust made an admirable address in favor of higher education for the Christian ministry. He is the professor of Church History in the Seminary at Dayton, and spoke with earnestness and force in favor of the special training afforded by that institution. His words were warmly received, and were well calculated to call forth in its support the practical sympathy of the Conference.

Thanks to Dr. M. R. Drury for this full report of the meeting.

FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, September 5, 1896.

Rev. W. L. Richardson, of Tennessee Conference, conducted the half-hour devotional service.

The business of Conference was taken up at 9 A.M., Bishop Hott presiding.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

It was ordered that the paper of greeting read by Miss Carrie Baker be published in the Conference Minutes.

A letter from the ex-trustees of Edwards Chapel was read, and on motion the same was referred to a committee; Revs. G. W. Arnold, C. W. Miller, and L. M. Mittendorf, committee.

Rev. W. J. Shuey was elected trustee of Otterbein University to succeed Mr. D. L. Rike, deceased, elected in 1895.

Mrs. L. A. Macklin was elected vice-president of the Woman's Coöperative Circle of Otterbein University.

Conference unanimously accepted the invitation extended to hold its next annual session at New Haven, Hamilton County, Ohio. Post-office address, Preston.

The Committee on Candidates for the Ministry reported, and the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPLICANTS.

Your Committee on Applicants examined E. J. Arthur and D. F. Dickensheets as candidates for license to preach.

Brother Arthur is clear on examination and sound in doctrine. He is willing to be submissive to the requirements of the Church. We recommend that he be licensed to preach.

Brother Dickensheets is willing to comply with the requirements of the Church, is sound in doctrine, and is reasonably clear. We recommend that he be licensed to preach.

On the paper of Brother I. N. Higgins referred to us, we recommend that he be received on his transfer, which he now returns.

Respectfully submitted,

S. B. Ervin,
H. H. Fout,
S. M. Hippard,
Committee.

Dr. George M. Mathews, of Dayton, was chosen to deliver the semicentennial address on Otterbein University at the next conference.

The report of the Committee on Newport Mission was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEWPORT CHURCH.

Upon investigating the present financial condition of our church in Newport, Kentucky, we find the following facts: A property, consisting of a house and lot, situated on the southeast corner of Ninth and Ann streets, was purchased in January, 1895 at a cost of $1,750. The house was improved and remodeled to render it suitable for a place of worship at an additional cost of $395, making the total cost $2,145. Payments have been made from time to time upon the present property, so that the entire present indebtedness is $1,552. We also find that there is a note of $200 unpaid and past due in bank in Newport, and a pressing need for $50 in building and loan association.

In view of the above facts, we recommend that the Church-Erection Treasurer loan to the Newport, Kentucky, church $250 from the church-erection funds in his hands, and take a mortgage on the property for said sum.

JOSEPH SATER,
C. H. GILBERT,
WM. MCKEE,
G. M. MATHEWS,
Committee.

The reading of chart reports was resumed and completed.

Rev. I. N. Higgins was received on his transfer granted him two years ago.

The Committee on First Year's Course of Reading submitted a supplemental report, which was adopted.

Rev. S. W. Keister, Committee on Publishing Interests, read his report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

More and more, as the years come and go, are we impressed that the most potent factor in our civilized life in making us what we are, as a people, is the printing-press. The literature of the times is, in a very large measure, responsible for the thought and actions manifest in society. The press governs the thinking, and as a man "thinketh in his heart, so is he." The public prints are the molding influences in life, and the builders of character. The reading of to-day will be harvested in the to-morrow. Thought is immortal; if it lives nowhere else, it will live in the home where it originates. Society has a future,

and that future will be the accumulating thought of the present. The seed sown in this generation will be harvested in the next. The social, moral, and political structure of the coming decade will be reared on the foundations of the present.

We live in a reading age, an age when literature, good and bad, is thrust before the public eye. Much of the literature of the present is vicious and demoralizing in its tendencies, and is sought by many, being secretly placed before the youth of our homes to corrupt public morals and debase character. The good of society, the prosperity of the church, and the honor of the republic and all cherished institutions demand that vigorous efforts be made to keep before every reader a healthy, elevated standard of literature. In this battle the religious press must lead and must not sleep, or in the harvest time the field may contain more tares than wheat. The church has other duties as important as those directly connected with the Sabbath and sanctuary services. There is more to be done than to sing and pray, preach and hear the word. Let the fountains of the soul in the present and coming generations be reached through the brain, and a good foundation be laid against the time to come.

In this battle the United Brethren Church has not lagged. With the aggressive spirit of her membership, she seeks to study the demands of the times and ably meet them. We have a religious pride in every publication that is the product of United Brethren brain and soul. In this our annual gathering we assure editors and publisher that we have faith in their ability to give to the Church and the world periodicals, magazines, and books for which we need not blush in the presence of our critics, either as to editorial ability or mechanical skill. If improvements are demanded, we believe the ability is behind the throne to make them. Let the Church speak.

The *Religious Telescope*, now in its sixty-second volume, the organ of the Church for the dissemination of Church news, the exponent of the faith and doctrines of the Church, has a claim upon every member of the Church body. We do not hesitate to say that its weekly visits are essential to every intelligent, wide-awake, aggressive United Brethren. Who can pray, give, or work successfully being ignorant of the needs of the church of which he may be a part? "Take the *Telescope*," must be the cry repeated again and again.

Next to the *Telescope* stands the *Watchword*, that princely Y. P. C. U. paper, of which we are all proud, and we are glad to take the hand of the able, conscientious editor, Rev. H. F. Shupe, and congratulate him on giving to our young people such an excellent visitor. Long let the *Watchword* live! We claim for our Sabbath-school literature a place in every United Brethren school. None better for our schools than our own.

We believe that the *Quarterly Review* deserves the sympathy and support of the ministry and of every layman looking for an instructive and interesting quarterly visitor. Although not a publication authorized and published by the Church, yet we are wont to recognize it as one of our children, and we congratulate its editor, Dr. G. M. Mathews, one of our own number, on the excellent character of the magazine. Believing that the *Quarterly Review* should be officially recognized by the Church, we do, in this annual session, memorialize the coming General Conference, in its session next May, to arrange for its continued publication by the election of an editor, under such provisions as the Conference may deem best.

We will, as opportunity presents, recommend the *Search Light* and *Woman's Evangel* as the very best possible mediums of communicating missionary intelligence to the Church.

We will pray that the publishing interests of the Church may be more and more blessed of the Master in imparting light in and fitting for efficient church membership.

S. W. KEISTER, *Committee.*

Prof. S. D. Faust, D.D., of East Pennsylvania Conference, and Rev. E. S. White, of East Ohio Conference, were introduced and invited to advisory seats.

Conference adjourned, to meet at 1 : 30 P. M. Prayer by Dr. McKee.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Rev. W. M. Vansickle conducted the opening service.

Conference business was taken up at 1 : 30 P. M.

Dr. M. R. Drury reported $379.10 collected on Bishop's claim.

Conference ordered that at the 10 : 30 A. M. service on Sabbath a collection be taken to be applied on the deficit of $40.90.

For a few years we have had a small deficit in our Bishop's collection. *This need not be.* The Finance Committee has carried over to this year the amount yet due by some charges, and asks that collections be taken within the first quarter of the year to meet all arrearages, and

hereafter let every pastor see to it that the *Bishop's claim is met in full from chart reports.*

Rev. W. L. Bunger reported $168.93 for Beneficiary Educational Fund.

Rev. W. J. Shuey reported $205.50 for Sunday-School General Fund.

Rev. J. W. Flory reported $198.46 for Otterbein University.

Rev. C. W. Miller reported $445.73 for Union Biblical Seminary.

Rev. S. M. Hippard reported $191.26 collected for expenses of General Conference. The assessments uncollected are continued, and all are to be reported in full by March 1, 1897.

A collection of $15.35 was taken for Conference secretaries.

Rev. H. A. Sechrist, treasurer of Preachers' Aid Fund, reported. Report was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PREACHERS' AID FUND.

Receipts.

September 6, 1895—	
Cash in treasury	$345 77
September 9, 1895—	
Interest on Saum note	24 00
September 2, 1896—	
Arcanum, J. W. Kilbourn	3 00
Bowlusville, W. L. Bunger	3 00
Dayton First Church, G. M. Mathews	45 00
Dayton Hartford Street, J. A. Eby	4 00
Dayton High Street, Wm. Cleaver	6 00
Dayton Home Avenue, F. G. Grigsby	4 00
Dayton Miami Chapel, J. H. Mayne	6 00
Dayton North Main Street, G. P. Macklin	4 00
Dayton Oak Street, H. H. Fout	8 00
Dayton Summit Street, W. H. Klinefelter	25 00
Eldorado, T. F. Bushong	13 00
Greenville, W. J. Pruner	2 00
Ithaca, A. Dunkelberger	15 00

September 2, 1896—	
Mt. Zion, F. H. Bohn	$10 00
Salem, G. W. Hamilton	5 92
Springfield, G. W. Arnold	7 00
Union City, H. A. Sechrist	7 00
Vandalia, S. M. Hippard	14 00
Beavertown, J. M. Replogle	10 00
Cherry Grove, G. T. Powell	8 00
Colerain, G. T. Griscel	10 00
Eaton, C. W. Kurtz	3 00
Germantown, J. G. Huber	16 00
Liberty, J. E. Yingling	15 00
Lewisburg, W. C. Niswonger	10 00
Miamisburg, W. W. Rymer	6 00
Middletown, E. W. Bowers	3 00
Miltonville, I. M. Walker	9 00
Millville, W. L. Bunger	2 00
Mt. Healthy, E. W. Symmonds	5 00
Harrison, W. R. Houlton	6 00
New Haven, C. Hall	9 00
Newport, Bethel, J. W. Flory	2 00
Second Creek, G. M. Hemphill	2 00
Springboro, J. N. Beckett	6 00
Sulphur Grove, E. E. Saul	10 00
West Elkton, Jacob Pantle	10 00
Pleasant Hill, W. M. Vansickle	5 00
Moore's Fork, E. J. Arthur	2 00
Total in the treasury during the year	$700 69

Expenditures.

Paid—	
Rev. W. G. Wells	$85 00
Rev. J. D. Holtzinger	85 00
Rev. J. W. Glenn	40 00
Mrs. M. M. Fowler	45 00
Mrs. J. M. Marshall	20 00
Mrs. L. Burns	45 00
Mrs. W. H. Lanthurn	45 00
Total paid out	$365 00
Money in treasury September 4, 1896	335 69

H. A. Sechrist, *Treasurer.*

Rev. H. A. Sechrist was reëlected treasurer of said fund, and, on motion, the Board of Managers was also reëlected—Rev. J. L. Swain, president, Germantown, Ohio.

Rev. J. L. Swain, Branch Treasurer of Missionary and Church-Erection funds, reported. His reports were approved, and he was reëlected treasurer of said funds.

REPORT OF BRANCH MISSIONARY TREASURER.

Receipts.

September 5, 1895—	
Cash in treasury	$1,521 35
September 5, 1896—	
Arcanum, J. W. Kilbourn	34 00
Abbottsville, J. W. Bovey	1 70
Bowlusville, W. L. Bunger	10 98
Dayton First Church, G. M. Mathews	350 00
Dayton High Street, W. Cleaver	70 00
Dayton Home Avenue, F. G. Grigsby	55 00
Dayton Hartford Street, J. A. Eby	55 00
Dayton North Main Street, G. P. Macklin	40 00
Dayton Summit Street, W. H. Klinefelter	172 10
Dayton Oak Street, H. H. Fout	80 00
Dayton Miami Chapel, J. H. Mayne	50 00
Eldorado, T. F. Bushong	160 00
Greenville, W. J. Pruner	25 00
Ithaca, A. Dunkelberger	113 90
Mt. Zion, F. H. Bohn	50 00
Springfield, G. W. Arnold	65 00
Salem, G. W. Hamilton	78 62
Union City, H. A. Sechrist	56 60
Vandalia, S. M. Hippard	75 00
New Madison, S. B. Ervin	5 00
Beavertown, J. M. Replogle	70 00
Cherry Grove, G. T. Powell	125 00
Colerain, G. T. Griscel	75 00
Eaton, C. W. Kurtz	25 00
Germantown, J. G. Huber	131 00
Liberty, J. E. Yingling	120 00
Lewisburg, W. C. Niswonger	112 25
Pleasant Hill, W. M. Vansickle	67 22
Miamisburg, W. W. Rymer	30 00
Middletown, E. W. Bowers	30 00
Miltonville, I. M. Walker	61 00
Millville, W. L. Bunger	12 38
Mt. Healthy, E. W. Symmonds	39 00
Moore's Fork, E. J. Arthur	7 00

September 5, 1896—		
New Haven, C. Hall	$89 15	
Newport, J. W. Flory	25 00	
Harrison, W. R. Houlton	40 00	
Sulphur Grove, E. E. Saul	135 00	
Second Creek, G. M. Hemphill	30 00	
West Elkton, J. Pantle	60 00	
Springboro, J. N. Beckett	30 00	
Thanking-offering from Pleasant Hill	3 05	
Total		$4,386 30

Disbursements.

Paid—		
J. W. Flory, Newport	$300 00	
C. W. Kurtz, Eaton	250 00	
E. W. Bowers, Middletown	275 00	
W. R. Houlton, Harrison	100 00	
W. W. Rymer, Miamisburg	75 00	
G. M. Hemphill, Williamsburg	75 00	
W. Cleaver, High Street	100 00	
F. G. Grigsby, Home Avenue	150 00	
G. P. Macklin, North Main Street	175 00	
W. J. Pruner, Greenville	150 00	
Wm. McKee, Parent Treasurer, on General Fund	1,350 62	
Wm. McKee, Parent Treasurer, on Thank-offering	3 05	
For Minutes and Conference supplies	160 65	
For postage, stationery, and exchange	3 00	
Total disbursements		$3,167 32
Balance in treasury September 5, 1896		$1,218 98

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. SWAIN, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF BRANCH CHURCH-ERECTION TREASURER.

Receipts.

Balance in treasury September 5, 1895	$475 55
September 5, 1896—	
Arcanum	7 00
Bowlusville	5 00
Dayton First Church	66 00
Dayton High Street	20 00

September 5, 1896—	
Dayton Home Avenue	$27 00
Dayton Hartford Street	43 00
Dayton North Main Street	15 00
Dayton Oak Street	38 00
Dayton Miami Chapel	4 00
Dayton Summit Street	30 00
Eldorado	18 00
Greenville	3 00
Ithaca	15 00
Mt. Zion	7 00
Springfield	13 00
Salem	17 47
Union City	7 00
Vandalia	18 00
Beavertown	18 00
Cherry Grove	7 00
Colerain	5 00
Eaton	13 00
Germantown	31 00
Liberty	16 00
Lewisburg	10 00
Pleasant Hill	6 00
Miamisburg	14 00
Middletown	10 00
Miltonville	10 00
Millville	4 00
Mt. Healthy	8 00
Moore's Fork	2 00
New Haven	12 00
Newport	11 00
Harrison	6 00
Sulphur Grove	13 00
Second Creek	1 00
Springboro	15 00
West Elkton	20 00
Total receipts	$1,061 02

Disbursements.

Paid Wm. McKee, Parent Treasurer	292 73
Balance in treasury September 5, 1896	$768 29

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. SWAIN, *Treasurer.*

Rev. C. J. Burkert was continued as Branch Missionary and Church-Erection Secretary.

Rev. E. W. Bowers was elected Conference Sunday-School Secretary and Treasurer.

Rev. C. J. Burkert was elected the Conference Delegate to the next meeting of the Missionary Board, with Rev. J. L. Swain alternate.

Mr. L. O. Miller's proposition as to duplicating the number of Conference Minutes was accepted.

The regular order of the day was now followed, and after singing a stanza of "All hail the power of Jesus' name," Prof. H. Garst, D.D., delivered the Pioneer Address. "The address received the closest attention throughout. It was a remarkable address, abounding in facts and incidents of great historic value." At its close, Conference took the following action:

Resolved, That we have heard with deepest interest and pleasure the Pioneer Address delivered to us this afternoon by Dr. Garst, and that we tender to him an expression of our warmest appreciation of the pains he has taken in reviving for us so large an amount of valuable material out of the memories of the past.

Rev. S. M. Hippard was elected Conference Treasurer for the coming year.

Rev. J. D. Holtzinger read the report on memoirs, and the services in memory of Rev. W. G. Wells were deeply impressive. Appropriate addresses were made by Rev. J. D. Holtzinger and W. J. Shuey, after which the congregation sang with great tenderness and sweetness two stanzas from that beautiful hymn, "The Home of the Soul" (Otterbein Hymnal, No. 526).

The report on memoirs was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Rev. William G. Wells died in Dayton, Ohio, July 24, 1896, in the seventy-eighth year of his age. He united with the Miami

Conference in the autumn of 1850. His first circuit was large, to which the Conference had appointed two ministers. During the first two years of his itinerant life he served the charge as junior preacher. His early pastoral work was characterized by the spirit of earnestness and enthusiasm. He was instinctively social, and was warmly received into the homes of those whom he served as pastor. He was thoughtful of the aged and the infirm, had a word of good cheer for the young, and was a lover of little children. He possessed a commendable ambition to succeed in his work, desired to please the Lord and to win the people for Christ and his kingdom. His work, which was frequently attended by marked success, brought honor to the Master, great good to the people, and pleasing satisfaction to himself. In different parts of the Conference there are some who were brought to Christ and the church through his pastoral labors. His itinerant life was protracted through a period of more than fifteen years, when his health failed. He sustained a local and superannuated relation to the Conference for many years. Through all the long years of physical suffering and privation he was patient and uncomplaining. In these trying times he often said, "We must leave it all to the Lord." The gospel which he preached was now his support and hope. Though he has gone from us he will not be forgotten, for "the memory of the just is blessed" and "the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance." "He, being dead, yet speaketh." His sorely bereaved family may be assured that they will have the sympathy and prayers of the Conference.

J. D. Holtzinger,
W. J. Shuey,
T. F. Bushong,
Committee.

The special committee on Edwards Chapel reported, and the report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDWARDS CHAPEL.

To Miami Annual Conference:

We, your committee to whom was referred the case of Edwards Chapel, located near Eaton, Ohio, beg leave to report as follows:

Whereas, We find, on investigation, that Wm. T. Deem, L. B. Plummer, Geo. W. Rhefuss, and Mr. Smalley, as trustees of Edwards Chapel, were sued in court, and judgment found against them for the sum of over $500, which they paid as trustees of said Church; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend, in order to secure a settlement

once for all, that whenever said ex-trustees sign a clear release of all claims against the church, the money now on hand —$150— be distributed among them proportionately.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. ARNOLD,
C. W. MILLER,
L. M. MITTENDORF,
Committee.

Rev. G. W. Arnold, Committee on Young People's Christian Union, read a report of marked excellence, which, after brief discussion, was adopted.

REPORT ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHRISTIAN UNION.

Great forces are God's gifts. Great gifts are to be utilized under divine guidance. The great forces of God in working with human agencies beget marvels in holy results. The young people's Christian movement, composed of Christian youth, young men and young women, compactly and definitely organized for Christian discipline and Christian service, has a meaning, a force, that fills one's heart with rejoicing and inspires a new hope for the church and the world. It is a new epoch in the history of Christianity, a new date to reckon from in noting the advance of Christ's kingdom in the years to come. Following the Pentecost there was the opening of the door of gospel grace to the heathen world at Antioch; then came the formal acceptance of Christianity by the Roman empire; then the crusades; then the Protestant reformation under Luther, Melanchthon and others; then the revolution led by Cromwell; then the voyage of the Pilgrim Fathers; then the great revival of declining faith and the new method under Knox, Whitfield, and the Wesleys; then, at length, up rose the Sunday-school movement headed by Robert Raikes; then began the age of missionary effort; then sprang up to meet another crisis the Y. M. C. A. movement; then came the marshaling of the Sunday-school hosts for better work in the study of God's Word under the International Lesson system, and with it a new consciousness of a world-wide fellowship in Christian discipleship; and last, but not least, there has come in power and rapid expansion the young people's Christian movement. And now that it has come, and is being understood to be so surprisingly suitable, reasonable, and opportune, the wonder is that its advent was delayed so long.

We hail with joyful hearts and open hands the Y. P. C. U. movement in our Church and Conference, which is sensibly affecting the spiritual and financial life and growth of our churches

wherever rightly understood, organized, and conducted. We strongly advocate the formation of young people's societies in all our churches for the following, among other, reasons:

1. As a means of preoccupying, organizing, energizing, and utilizing the intellectual, social, and spiritual forces of our converted young people.

2. As a means of bringing the unconverted youth and young people of our congregations to Christ and enlisting them in his service.

3. As a means of training the young people to systematically study God's Word for themselves and to use the results obtained for their own spiritual advancement, freedom, and power in all lines of Christian activity.

4. As a means of lifting the standard of Christian giving to a regular setting apart of a certain portion of one's earnings to be properly distributed as the church may have need.

5. As a means of emphasizing and intensifying the missionary idea and spirit of our Church, enlisting the prayers and support of our young people in all of our missionary endeavors.

6. As a means of inculcating the spirit of national patriotism and love of liberty in the minds and hearts of our young people.

7. As a means of crystallizing and unifying the sentiment in our Church against the licensed rum traffic and the violation, in letter and spirit, of the fourth and seventh commandments of the divine decalogue.

Therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That we organize young people's societies in all our churches.

2. That we make most prominent the spiritual aims and results of these societies.

3. That we emphasize and urge the need of organized and systematic Bible study.

4. That we heartily indorse the reading course adopted by the Y. P. C. U., and will do all we can to encourage our young people to pursue it.

□5. That we are well pleased with the ability and efficiency, both as to matter and spirit, of the *Watchword*, which is an indispensable requisite to the highest possible growth and efficiency of the movement in the United Brethren Church, and we will put forth every legitimate effort to do our full share in increasing its circulation to 10,000 subscribers before the next General Conference.

6. That we most highly commend to all our young people the plan prescribed for organizing Christian stewardship clubs in our societies and churches.

7. That we recommend the appointment of a college com-

mittee in every society, wherever practicable, whose duty it shall be to seek to interest its members and other young people in our colleges and Seminary, to the end that they may attend said schools of learning for equipment of mind and heart, so essential to life's great work.

8. That we observe the first Sunday of May as "Young People's Day," and that on that day special services be held and a special offering be taken for missions.

9. That we are delighted beyond expression and devoutly thankful to Almighty God and Bro. J. S. Pitman for the blessed growth of our mission in Los Angeles, Cal. We most gladly pledge to our dear brother Pitman and his faithful flock our confidence and prayers, and the additional $100 pledged by the Miami delegates to the great Des Moines convention.

10. That we encourage the formation of Junior societies, and will seek to make them efficient agencies in bringing to and training for Jesus the children of our homes.

11. That we emphasize the *spiritual* above the *temporal*; *quality* above *quantity*; definite *Christian experience* and growth, above *mere bustling formality* or *glittering parade*; the baptism of the Holy Spirit above all else, as essential to the highest equipment and efficiency of our young people's societies.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. ARNOLD, *Committee.*

Rev. E. E. Saul, secretary of the Finance Committee, reported. The report was adopted as read:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Field of Labor.	Presiding Elder's Salary.	Bishop's Salary.	Preachers' Aid.	Missions.	Church Erection.	S. S. Gen. Fund.	Union Biblical Seminary.	Educational Beneficiary Fund.	Arrearages in Bishop's Salary.	Delegates to General Conference.	Appropriations.
Dayton District											
Abbottsville	20	5	4	25	10	2	2	2	6	3 00	
Arcanum	$50	$8	$7	$70	$25	$5	$15	$4	$5	$2 50	
Bowlusville	20	2	3	15	8	3	3	2		1 00	
Dayton First Church	100	31	45	350	66	25	53	25			
Dayton Hartford Street	36	5	4	55	40	5	8	2			
Dayton High Street	40	6	6	65	18	5	12	4			$50
Dayton Home Avenue	36	5	4	55	25	4	8	2			125
Dayton Miami Chapel	44	13	10	75	18	5	8	4		7 00	
Dayton North Main Street	32	4	4	40	12	3	6	2			175
Dayton Oak Street	44	10	8	75	36	5	10	4			
Dayton Summit Street	80	24	30	225	50	15	50	18		10 00	
Eldorado	60	18	20	155	35	10	22	10	1	12 00	
Greenville	36	6	5	45	15	4	6	2	2	5 00	125
Harrisburg	8	1	1	15	2	2	2	1			
Ithaca	60	13	15	115	38	12	20	6		4 00	
Mt. Zion	60	12	14	95	14	9	15	5	1	5 00	
Springfield	44	7	9	70	28	6	7	4			
Salem	60	16	14	115	35	12	20	6	9	7 74	
Union City	60	13	7	90	32	10	15	8		5 00	
Vandalia	60	18	18	130	35	10	20	8	1	4 00	
Total—Dayton											
Cincinnati District											
Beavertown	$14	$9	$8	$60	$15	$6	$10	$4			
Cherry Grove	64	15	16	140	25	10	15	8		$10 00	
Colerain	48	10	8	75	20	8	10	5			
Eaton	28	4	3	20	10	3	3	2			$225
Germantown	64	16	16	125	30	12	20	8			
Harrison and Millville	48	10	8	60	20	8	10	4	$3	1 00	
Liberty	60	16	15	115	30	10	20	6		5 00	
Lewisburg	64	16	15	130	30	10	20	6			
Miamisburg	36	6	5	25	10	3	3	2			75
Middletown	30	5	4	25	10	4	4	2			250
Miltonville	52	12	10	80	12	6	10	4		7 00	
Mt. Healthy	28	5	5	30	5	3	3	2		2 00	*50
New Haven	52	13	10	125	24	10	12	4			
Newport	28	3	3	25	8	2	2	2			300
Pleasant Hill	60	16	10	130	25	10	18	6	4	4 15	
Second Creek	48	8	8	50	15	5	6	3	8	9 00	
Springboro	40	8	5	45	12	4	5	2		3 00	
Sulphur Grove	52	15	10	135	15	8	18	6		2 50	
West Elkton	52	12	10	80	20	6	12	3			
Williamsburg	36	5	5	25	10	3	3	2		5 00	75
Total—Cincinnati											
Total—Dayton											
Grand total											

*This appropriation is made for mission work in South Cumminsville.

Ministerial Aid Appropriations.

Mrs. W. G. Wells	$65 00
Rev. J. W. Glenn	50 00
Mrs. M. M. Fowler	40 00
Mrs. J. M. Marshall	20 00
Mrs. L. Burns	45 00
Mrs. W. H. Lanthurn	40 00
Rev. J. D. Holtzinger	75 00
Total	$335 00

Rev. S. M. Hippard, chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, reported, and the report was approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Your Committee on Resolutions submit the following:

1. We express our gratitude to Almighty God, the father of all our mercies, for his loving care over us during another year of labor.

2. We acknowledge with gratitude the generous hospitality of the pastor and church of Lewisburg in entertaining the Conference, and pray that the Father's richest blessing may ever abide upon them.

3. We are pleased to have Bishop J. W. Hott with us as our presiding officer, who, because of his former long residence in our midst, seems to be one of us, and we note with pleasure the kind, able manner in which he has presided over our deliberations. We pray that the blessings of God the Father may go with him wherever he goes. We also note with pleasure the presence of our senior bishop, J. Weaver, in our session, and pray that he may be spared yet many years to the Church.

4. We view the present condition of our country with great solicitude. We deplore the increase of poverty and crime, and the idleness, enforced and voluntary, of so many. The present political problems are intimately connected with our economic and social life. We feel it to be the duty of Christian citizens to exercise calm judgment, to carefully investigate, and not to be carried away with political heat and fervor, but to continually trust in God and pray that he will deliver us from our evil conditions. Without his guidance we shall fail; with it, his providence shall be made manifest.

5. Believing that the American saloon is the enemy of the church, and that through its baneful influence much of the work of the church is neutralized, and believing that all Christians should give their support to any proper agency that proposes to abolish the saloon, and recognizing that the Ohio Anti-Saloon

League, by reason of its interdenominational and omnipartisan character, is an organization in and through which people of all political parties and members of all churches can unitedly work for the destruction of the saloon and the saloon power of this country, we, as a body of Christian ministers and laymen in conference assembled, indorse the Ohio Anti-Saloon League, and wish it God-speed in its work. We will, by our votes and in all other proper ways, contribute to the success of the work of the above-named organization.

6. We deprecate the growing tendency to disregard the sanctity of the Sabbath on the part of members of the church, (1) in the purchase and reading of the Sunday newspaper; (2) by the patronage of "Sunday trains," in ordinary travel and on excursions; (3) in open groceries and meat stores, and the purchasing of meats and provisions.

7. We emphatically condemn such places for Sunday resort as Lakeside Park and Fairview Park, as demoralizing in their influence upon the old and young, and urgently discourage our people from patronizing them. We appeal to the proper authorities to suppress them.

S. M. Hippard,
J. L. Swain,
Committee.

Rev. Wm. T. Frank was on motion recommended to the directors of the Beneficiary Educational Fund as a person worthy of help in acquiring an education.

The resolution providing for a Statistical Committee was so amended as to relieve the Presiding Elders from serving on that committee.

The Statistical Committee for 1897 consists of J. W. Kilbourn, J. W. Flory, and W. C. Niswonger.

The Standing Committees for 1897 were announced.

Rev. W. A. Shuey was reappointed by the Bishop Corresponding Member of the U. B. Historical Society.

Rev. H. H. Fout was continued Conference Corresponding Secretary of Union Biblical Seminary.

The minutes of the day's proceedings were read and approved.

The report of the Stationing Committee was read and followed by a tender and heart-touching prayer by the Bishop.

REPORT OF STATIONING COMMITTEE.

Dayton District—C. J. Burkert, Presiding Elder.

Abbottsville, S. R. Ludwig.
Arcanum, J. W. Kilbourn.
Bowlusville, W. L. Bunger.
Dayton First Church, G. M. Mathews.
Dayton Hartford Street, J. A. Eby.
Dayton High Street, Wm. Cleaver.
Dayton Home Avenue, F. G. Grigsby.
Dayton Miami Chapel, Jos. H. Mayne.
Dayton North Main Street, G. P. Macklin.
Dayton Oak Street, H. H. Fout.
Dayton Summit Street, W. H. Klinefelter.
Eldorado, T. F. Bushong.
Greenville, W. J. Pruner.
Harrisburg, S. S. Kirts.
Ithaca, A. Dunkelberger.
Mt. Zion, S. B. Ervin.
Salem, S. M. Hippard.
Springfield, Geo. W. Arnold.
Union City, G. M. and Ruth E. Hemphill.
Vandalia, G. W. Hamilton.

Cincinnati District—J. L. Swain, Presiding Elder.

Beavertown, J. M. Replogle.
Cherry Grove, W. R. Houlton.
Colerain, George T. Griscel.
Eaton, C. W. Kurtz.
Germantown, J. G. Huber.
Harrison and Millville, E. W. Symmonds.
Lewisburg, W. C. Niswonger.
Liberty, J. E. Yingling.
Miamisburg, Frank H. Bohn.
Middletown, E. W. Bowers.
Miltonville, H. A. Sechrist.
Mt. Healthy, George T. Powell.
New Haven, C. Hall.
Newport, Kentucky, J. W. Flory.
Pleasant Hill and New Hope, W. M. Vansickle.
Second Creek, E. J. Arthur.
Springboro, J. N. Beckett.
Sulphur Grove, E. E. Saul.
West Elkton, J. Pantle.
Williamsburg, I. M. Walker.

Publishing Agent, W. J. Shuey.
Editor Sunday-School Literature, D. Berger.
Missionary Treasurer, Wm. McKee.
Professor in Union Biblical Seminary, J. P. Landis.
Professor in Otterbein University, Westerville, H. Garst.
President of Mt. Hermon Female Seminary, Clinton, Mississippi, Sarah A. Dickey.
Chaplain Military Home, Marion, Indiana, D. E. Myers.
Superintendent Preble County Children's Home, S. Huddle.
George K. Irie, Missionary in Japan.
L. A. McGrew, Missionary in Africa.

After singing "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" and benediction by Rev. J. G. Huber, Conference adjourned *sine die*.

SATURDAY EVENING.

This meeting was in the interest of moral reforms, Rev. A. Dunkelberger presiding. Addresses were delivered as follows: "Temperance," Rev. W. M. Vansickle; "Divorce," Rev. G. P. Macklin; "The Influence of the Press," Dr. S. B. Ervin.

SABBATH SERVICES.

Sunday school was called to order by Superintendent Charles A. Cooper at 9:15 A.M. The singing was under the leadership of Prof. A. B. Shauck, and was well done. Rev. J. A. Eby offered the opening prayer. Rev. G. P. Macklin took charge of the school as teacher, and awakened a good degree of interest in the lesson.

At 10:30 Bishop Hott preached a sermon of interest and full of pathos, from Acts 20:24. This was followed by the ordination of Miss Sarah A. Dickey. The Bishop was assisted in this solemn service by Rev. J. L. Swain and Rev. C. J. Burkert.

At 2:30 P.M., occurred the Conference love-feast, led by

Rev. J. W. Flory, and the communion service. These were seasons of great spiritual interest and profit.

At 6:30 the local Y. P. C. U. held its service. The meeting was led by Rev. G. W. Arnold, of Springfield.

At 7:30 Rev. C. W. Kurtz introduced the exercises of the Y. P. C. U. Anniversary, and an interesting program was rendered during the evening.

A number of local pulpits were occupied by members of Conference.

This was the fifth session of Miami Conference held in Lewisburg. The first was held in May, 1841, Bishop H. Kumler, Sr., presiding; the second in April, 1844, Henry Kumler, Jr., bishop; the third in January, 1847, J. J. Glossbrenner, bishop; the fourth in September, 1858, David Edwards, bishop. There are only four members of Conference living who were present then: W. J. Shuey, J. D. Holtzinger, D. Berger, and J. W. Glenn.

The Lewisburg congregation accorded Conference a royal welcome, and the entertainment was cordial and abundant. The Entertainment Committee took special pains to make it pleasant for all in attendance. The sessions of Conference were spiritual and well attended. Ministers and laymen went forth to make this a grand feast in all departments of Church work. May the Lord work in each one "to will and to do of his good pleasure."

C. J. BURKERT,
Recording Secretary.

J. W. HOTT,
Bishop.

J. W. KILBOURN,
Statistical Secretary.

PIONEER ADDRESS.

By Professor Henry Garst, D.D.

When the writer was notified by the Secretary of the Conference that it would fall to his lot to deliver the Pioneer Address at this session, his first feeling was to protest that he regarded himself entirely unworthy of such a high honor, that in accordance with the injunction, "in honor preferring one another," he was quite willing that any one of his brethren of the Conference should, at least in this respect, be preferred to him. But the suggestion came that this notification was not a matter of honor, but of cold chronology, and was given solely because, after the four or five pioneer addresses already given, he stood next in the order of seniority, as a member of the Conference, and so he determined to submit as gracefully as he might, and present such recollections of the members and work of the Miami Conference as might occur to him.

The writer became a member of the Miami Conference at its session held at Beavertown, Ohio, in the latter part of August, 1860, thirty-six years ago, when he had reached his senior year in college. This date will at once suggest that it was at a stirring and exciting time in the history of our country. The system of American slavery still existed in all its strength, and its champions were never more bold and aggressive. It was a burning question, exciting widespread and often angry debate North and South, in the halls of Congress and in State Legislatures, in church councils and conferences, and, indeed, in all the homes of the land. It was the time of the fugitive slave law, of the Dred Scott decision, of underground railroads, and of fierce conflicts in the free territories of the West. Abraham Lincoln had been nominated the first time for the Presidency as the representative of the rapidly-growing host of those who were determined to resist the increasing demands of the slave power, and the forces were marshaling for the life and death struggle between the friends of freedom and slavery which burst upon the country with such fury the year following. The lines between the friends and foes of freedom were distinctly drawn, and men were constrained to assert themselves on one side or the other. About

the unhappiest class were those who attempted to maintain a position of neutrality and as a consequence commanded the respect and confidence of neither side.

It is not strange that a church which had been trained to love freedom and hate slavery, from its very foundation, as had the United Brethren Church, in this sifting process should range itself by an overwhelming majority, if not with entire unanimity, on the side of freedom and the integrity of the Union. When the dread arbitrament of war came, perhaps no church in the land was more solidly loyal to freedom and the Union than was the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, and perhaps no conference of the Church surpassed Miami in this respect. Many went forth to the conflict, not a few of whom never returned, but died for their country on the field of battle, in the hospital, or in rebel prisons. Of the ministers of the Conference who thus perished in the conflict the writer recalls the Rev. Mr. Shane and the Rev. Mr. Corson, and of laymen, a number too great to be mentioned by name.

There were, indeed, a small number in the Miami Conference, as in other conferences of the Church, who were not in accord with the dominant sentiment of the Church. Influenced mainly, it is charitable to believe, by party affiliations, this class gave little sympathy or aid to the country in its deadly struggle against treason and rebellion. This class, largely, either drifted out of the Church or settled into inactivity in it. A very few, though thoroughly out of harmony with the great body of the Church in political sentiment, remained in harmony with it in religious sentiment, and continued steadfast and faithful in the Christian life and in the work of the Church. They were of that class who excite our wonder, if not our admiration, by their skill in keeping their politics and their religion from interfering with each other. The writer was well acquainted with a few such in the Miami Conference during the War.

But to recall the members of the Miami Conference of 1860 and the years following, could hardly in any proper sense constitute a pioneer address. At this date the Conference had already behind it a history of fifty years' toil for God. The conference of 1860 was in fact a semicentennial session, but of this fact, so far as now remembered, no notice whatever was taken by the Conference. Lawrence in his History of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, Vol. I, p. 335, says that the Miami Conference was organized and held its first session at the house of Rev. Andrew Zeller (afterwards a bishop), near Germantown, O., in August, 1810. This date is correct, but the place seems to be a mistake, as Lawrence himself incidentally indicates in the second volume of his history, where he says: "On the 11th of June, 1824, this old conference (Miami) of the West convened at Bookwalter's in

Ross County, Ohio, to hold its last united session. In the same county, and near the same place, it had held its first session in 1810." The home of Michael Crider, in Ross County, seems to have been the place. Newcomer's Journal, where the connection indicates that he was in Ross County, says: "August 13 (1810). To-day I held a little conference with the brethren. Fifteen preachers (How I write!—preachers, indeed!—we are not worthy the appellation) were present. Bless the Lord for the brotherly kindness and unanimity of mind which pervades throughout."

The fact that the writer was reared on a farm adjoining the farm of Bishop Andrew Zeller, in one of the earliest United Brethren homes in the earliest and strongest United Brethren settlement of Ohio, a home which was often visited by the pioneer preachers of the United Brethren Church, will explain how it comes that these preachers are among his very earliest and most cherished memories. To just what time these memories reach back it is impossible to say, for that mysterious line which marks the hither boundary of memory, beyond which there is no recall, but all is an utter blank, cannot be definitely fixed. He only knows that away back in his early childhood, probably before he was three years old, pictures of some of these venerable pioneers, whom he used to regard with so much reverence, were hung up in the gallery of his memory; and there they hang to-day, in distinct outline, among the most cherished treasures of his life. As he writes, one of these pictures brightens into view; a short, heavy-set, round-faced, kindly-visaged, thin-haired, venerable old man, sitting by a stand, in his childhood home, on which was a Bible and hymn-book, with a number of neighbors and friends, who had gathered in from the surrounding community, sitting reverently before him, to hear the word of God preached, as was common in the Christian homes of that early day. The body of the sermon has long since faded from the memory, but the preacher and his text remain. The sermon, and indeed the whole service, was in the German language, and the text was, "*Darum spricht er: Wache auf, der du schläfest, und stehe auf von den Todten, so wird dich Christus erleuchten.*" In English the text reads, "Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light" (Eph. 5:14).[1]

The preacher was Daniel Troyer, a pioneer of the pioneers of the Miami Conference, for he was one of the fifteen preachers who joined in organizing the Conference in 1810. He was also, five years later, a delegate to the first General Conference ever held in the Church, which met near Mt. Pleasant, Pennsylvania,

[1] The German is given in this and some other instances, first, because it was the original form, and secondly, because it would seem to help the pioneer flavor of this address.

in 1815. Lawrence, in his history of the United Brethren Church, speaks of him as deserving a high place among the pioneers of the Church. He was born in Maryland in 1769, and when a young man heard a sermon by Newcomer which much impressed him, and not long after attended a sacramental meeting at Antietam, at which Otterbein was present and preached an impressive sermon. After the sacrament, Otterbein invited all those who desired the prayers of God's people to come forward and give him their hands. Many arose and came forward weeping, and among them was young Troyer. He went home under deep conviction, and soon after, while earnestly praying in a grove, was converted. He began at once to call sinners to repentance. He came to Ohio in 1806 and settled in the Miami Valley. Lawrence describes him as a wise and prudent man and a faithful Christian, whose influence was always wholesome. As a preacher he was a man of power. He had a very strong voice and great zeal. At great meetings, when it became necessary to divide the congregation, the people were wont to ask, "Where will Troyer preach?" and there the throng would go. He lived to the great age of ninety-four years, dying in 1863. When the weight of years no longer permitted him to go to the house of worship, he requested that the class of which he was a member meet regularly at his home in Germantown. The writer, as a boy, often attended these meetings, and vividly remembers how he used to be stirred by the words of instruction, warning, and encouragement Father Troyer, sitting in his great armchair, would utter. Sometimes these meetings became very demonstrative, and on more than one occasion the shouting and leaping became so violent that the writer, as a little fellow, deemed it prudent to make his way to the door and quietly slip out, lest he be trampled under foot and injured by the stalwart shouters. Father Troyer was severely plain in his dress and bearing. To part the hair, either on the side or in the middle, and especially to arch it up in front, "*stracks gegen den Himmel auf*" (straight up toward heaven), as he expressed it, were to him exhibitions of pride and worldly conformity quite unbecoming a disciple of Christ. He was not without his prejudices and frailties, but he commanded the confidence and love of all who knew him. Peace to his memory!

Another picture that stands forth in distinct outline in memory's gallery is that of a straight, tall, dark-featured, squarely-built, but not portly, man, with firm-set jaw and lofty brow, with long hair combed straight back over the head, reaching the shoulders behind, wearing usually a soft, broad-brimmed black hat, walking with a stately bearing and tread, indicating the princely man that he was. This was John Russel, who came from Maryland with Bishop Newcomer and joined Miami Confer-

ence in 1819, when he was twenty years old. The Miami Conference at that time comprehended the entire Church west of the Muskingum River, and Mr. Russel's labors occurred mainly in the territory which in 1824 was separated from the Miami Conference to form Scioto Conference, of which latter conference Mr. Russel then became a member, in which relation he continued until he was called to the pastorate of the old Otterbein Church in Baltimore, when he returned to the East again. He occupies a large and important place in the history of the United Brethren Church, and is worthy of high honors as a pioneer. He may be regarded as the father of the publishing interests of the Church, as Dr. L. Davis may be of the educational work of the Church. He early recognized the importance and power of the religious press, and when the General Conference of 1833 resolved to establish a religious paper, he, together with Jonathan and George Dresbach, were elected trustees of the enterprise and authorized to solicit donations of money and subscriptions to the new paper. In 1834 this board purchased a press and two buildings in Circleville, Ohio, Mr. Russel selling his own private property and investing the proceeds in the concern. In December, 1834, the first number of the *Religious Telescope* was issued, and the basis was laid for the large and flourishing Publishing House which the Church now owns at Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Russel was ever the staunch friend of the Publishing House, and during its long and hard struggle with debt and poverty made liberal donations to the establishment, and loaned it his money on long time and at a low rate of interest. While Mr. Russel was a German, he could preach well in the English language, and through his skill in this respect he facilitated the transition of the Church from the German to the English language. It was not uncommon in Mr. Russel's day to combine both the German and the English language in the same service. A German preacher would take a text and preach a German discourse; an English preacher would follow with a discourse on the same text in English. The writer, in his boyhood, attended a number of such German-English, or English-German, services. Mr. Russel had the advantage of other preachers in that he could preach both the German and the English sermon, and not infrequently did so.

Mr. Russel was a dignified and forcible preacher, with an original way of putting things. The last time the writer heard him preach was at a camp-meeting near Liberty, Montgomery County, in this State, about the year 1857. The sermon, as remembered, was unsparing in its rebuke of pride and worldly conformity. It was the time when hoop-skirts, sometimes of startling dimensions, were in fashion, and Mr. Russel made them the subject of relentless assault, practically forbidding the sisters

who wore them to join in the communion service which followed the discourse. At least one sister, yet living, it was reported, left the audience after the discourse, hastened to her tent, removed her hoop-skirt, and returned in season to join in the communion. Mr. Russel's course on this occasion was widely commented upon by the newspapers, and even the New York *Tribune* contained a semi-humorous editorial of nearly a column, headed, "Bishop Russel on Hoop-skirts." The last time the writer saw Mr. Russel was at the General Conference, held at Lebanon, Pennsylvania, in 1869, the year before his death. At this conference he was an interested visitor and spectator, and during the memorable two-and-a-half-days' debate upon the secrecy question, though generally regarded as a pronounced Radical, he volunteered to say to the writer that he could live very happily and contentedly in the Church if the conference should adopt the proposition of the Liberals.

Upon the educational work of the Church the attitude of Mr. Russel is not so pleasant to contemplate as upon the publication work. He was not opposed to intellectual culture as such, but he contended that it was no part of the business of a church to found and manage colleges, and he seemed to apprehend very dire consequences to the Church should she engage in this work. In his position as a bishop, he was the most determined and formidable opponent whom Dr. Davis encountered in his efforts to enlist the Church in support of Otterbein University. The president of our college in the East told the writer in 1869 that at one time in the hope of winning the Germans of the East to the support of Lebanon Valley College, he invited Bishop Russel to visit the college and preach. The bishop accepted the invitation and in due time came, selecting as his text the words, "*Das Wissen bläset auf*" (Knowledge puffeth up), and preached such a sermon that the president said, with a twinkle, that he thought after that he would try to manage the Germans without Bishop Russel's help. When, near the close of life, the Bishop seemed to relent somewhat in his opposition and gave five thousand dollars to establish a "Biblical Chair" in the Pennsylvania Conference, he hemmed it about with so many restrictions as practically to defeat the object of the gift. Bishop Russel did a great and good work for the Church, and we do well to honor his memory as one of the sturdy pioneer members of the Miami Conference, but that work was not along the lines of higher education.

Another picture of a pioneer minister which fixed itself in the writer's memory when he was a boy is that of a rather tall, straight, handsome man, with rather fair complexion, heavy eyebrows, deep-set blue eyes, clean-shaven face, except a band of beard passing from ear to ear under the chin, and faultlessly dressed—a true typical gentleman of the olden time, such as

were common in his day in old Virginia, where he was born in 1799. It is Rev. John Coons, who became a member of the Miami Conference in 1822. On its division in 1825 he became a member of the part which was set off as the Scioto Conference, in which he labored until 1845, when he removed to the Miami Valley, and in 1846 became again a member of Miami Conference, in which he spent the remainder of his days, dying on Greencastle Hill, West Dayton, Ohio, August 7, 1869. He was a good preacher and a man of irreproachable character. He was elected bishop in 1841, in which position he served faithfully until 1845. He was not a man of firm health, being troubled with dyspepsia, so that he could not well endure the hardships connected with the bishop's office, and he returned to the easier sphere of the itinerant pastor. There were those who were disposed to criticise him as too sensitive and too much given to complain, especially on account of his health, but when death came by that dreadful malady, cancer of the stomach, it appeared that these criticisms were probably unjust, as they certainly were uncharitable. Those who knew Mr. Coons will remember that he was lame. It was the writer's unpleasant fortune to witness the accident which produced this lameness. While crossing a common in Germantown, where Mr. Coons resided at the time, suddenly a runaway horse, with a rider, who was Mr. Coons, shouting, "Ho! ho! ho!" appeared, and in less time than it takes to write it, the horse, by a sudden turn, threw him and sent him rolling over the hard common, so injuring him as to lame him for the rest of his life. Among the faithful pioneer ministers of the Miami Conference, Bishop Coons will ever hold a high and honorable place.

And now there comes up in memory a pioneer of powerful frame and corpulent person, with florid complexion and a full face, a popular preacher whom the people used to go far to hear, quite as noted for his power of song as for his preaching ability. It is Uncle Billy Rhinehart, as he was familiarly called, the first editor of the *Religious Telescope*. He was a man of genial disposition and fine social qualities, and popular alike with old and young. He was active in reform work, and delivered many stalwart blows against intemperance and slavery. In his preaching he sometimes bordered upon the sensational. He had favorite texts and themes upon which he would preach frequently. The writer, who often heard him preach, once heard him announce his next appointment by saying, "At the next service I intend to tell you all about catching fish." He had the reputation of being fond of good living, a reputation which undoubtedly he honestly earned. He was very fond of roasting-ears, as they were called, and the number he could consume at a meal was a matter of notoriety. The writer well remembers how, on occasion of Mr.

Rhinehart's visits, his mother would give the good parson a large pail and tell him to go to the field and bring as many as he wished. He would bring back the pail heaped full of husked ears. When prepared, the boy well remembers the good parson sitting at the table with an open window at his back and a great dish of corn, cooked on the ear, before him, and how, with more interest than politeness, he watched the procedure as ear after ear was quickly devoured; and how, to avoid the spectacle of the accumulated heap of cobs, he would toss them, as fast as the corn was eaten, over his shoulder out of the open window behind him. On such occasions the boy would quietly keep tally, and if the record of any previous visit was broken the fact was duly noted.

The boy also remembers a quilting-bee in his childhood home, to which perhaps a dozen of the neighbor ladies were invited. No gentleman was invited except Mr. Rhinehart, who, as the preacher, was the guest of honor. On such occasions the dinner was usually an elaborate feast, and Mr. Rhinehart was always delighted to be present. On this occasion a great, steaming chicken-pie was on the table, and Mr. Rhinehart was asked to serve it. Now, Parson Rhinehart had a decided preference for certain portions of the fowl, but could not tell where in the pie they were located, on account of the top crust. Just then the boy witnessed a proceeding which so photographed itself upon his memory that after the lapse of more than fifty years it has not faded into dimness. Mr. Rhinehart skillfully thrust the long carving-knife under the top crust of the pie, and, placing the carving-fork on top of it, lifted off the entire crust, and, after exploring the steaming contents sufficiently to locate his favorite portions of fowl, replaced the crust and proceeded to serve. But, despite all defects and blemishes, Mr. Rhinehart was undoubtedly a minister of wide influence and extensive usefulness. He attracted large multitudes to hear him preach, and by his fervid and often eloquent appeals aroused many to conviction for their sins and won them to Christ.

Again there arises before the memory the figure of a pioneer of the Miami Conference, of giant frame and enormous vitality, so full of restless energy that it sometimes made him seem fidgety and fussy; of sanguine temperament, with prominent cheekbones and ruddy complexion, with a frank, open countenance and a merry play about the eyes and corners of the mouth, indicating a cheery good nature and a keen appreciation of the ludicrous. This is the Rev. Henry Kumler, Junior, or "Uncle Henry," as he was familiarly and affectionately called. He was a man of strong convictions, great zeal, and unfailing endurance. Rather fond of controversy, and capable of striking sturdy blows against an antagonist, but incapable of any mean or dishonest artifice to gain his point. He could respect an opponent at the same time that he contended against him most stoutly.

He did not make the discussion of important questions a personal matter and treat with coolness or discourtesy those who did not see things as he did. Indeed, his abounding good humor and chivalrous spirit of fairness rendered him a rather pleasant man with whom to differ. It was the fortune of the writer in his earlier career to deal pretty freely with some controverted questions, upon some of which Mr. Kumler was his opponent, and he will always remember how pleasantly Father Kumler contrasted with some other opponents he encountered. While others sometimes looked askance at him and seemed to shun him as if he were a package of dynamite, scarcely deigning to speak to him, and all because he could not see things as they did, it was not so with "Uncle Henry." While he would contend not less stoutly against what he conceived to be the errors of an opponent, he could yet at the same time regard and treat such opponent as a man and brother.

Father Kumler was a man of strong emotions, with a deep, sonorous voice, and in his fervid appeals often melted his audience to tears. Sometimes, right in the midst of these impressive occasions, his rollicking, fun-loving nature would get the better of him, and by the sudden introduction of some droll and ludicrous comparison he would dissipate the solemn impression he had made and provoke a broad smile, if not, indeed, audible laughter. There can be little doubt that in this way he sometimes neutralized the good he might otherwise have done. But who will say that by his Horatian power of telling the truth laughingly, and shooting folly as it flies, he did not, upon the whole, increase his power for usefulness? Many incidents illustrative of the spirit and character of Father Kumler throng the memory, only a few of which can be given. At a ministerial institute held at Millville, Ohio, a young minister had read a sermon in which he had made very free use of big words. On this account the members of the institute were quite freely criticising the sermon. At last Father Kumler arose in an assumed defense of the young brother. He contended that the big words used were doubtless all in the dictionary, and so were intended for use; that the young brother had displayed great industry in studying the dictionary to learn these big words, and ought not to be discouraged in this by objections to the use of what he had learned; that these big words would impress his audiences that he was a very learned young man, and so increase his power over them, and so on for quantity. Suffice it to say that before Father Kumler had finished his mock defense he had made one of the most effective criticisms of the sermon, and at the same time had amused and delighted the members of the institute with a specimen of droll and charming humor.

Back in the sixties, when the writer was pastor of the English

United Brethren Church in Cincinnati, Father Kumler was conducting a series of meetings in the German United Brethren Church on Rittenhouse Street. He had been staying with his nephew, Samuel Flickinger, where the writer had his home, when one evening he packed his grip and announced that he would not return after service, but would go with some of the members. Mr. Flickinger and the writer attended the service that evening, and at its close immediately returned home. In a short time the doorbell rang, and, on opening the door, there stood Uncle Henry with his grip in hand. In a pleasant mood he proceeded to explain in German about as follows: "*Ich habe die Versammlung entlassen und mich in der Kanzel niedergesetzt, und eine Einladung erwartet, aber sie sind alle hinausgegangen als wenn der Henker ihnen nach wäre, und haben mich allein sitzen lassen. Dann habe ich mich besonnen nicht mit ihnen zu gehen, sondern wieder hier zurück zu kommen.*" ("I dismissed the congregation and seated myself in the pulpit awaiting an invitation, but they all rushed out as if the old Nick were after them, leaving me sitting alone in the church. Then I determined that I would not go home with any of them, but would come back here again.") Now, the object in giving this incident is to commend the happy faculty which Father Kumler had, especially in the days of his vigor, of making the best of unpleasant situations. In the incident given, some of us would doubtless have been greatly mortified and discouraged; possibly we would have grown bitter in feeling and indulged in complaint and censure, but Father Kumler saw in it only a good practical joke, which he greatly enjoyed telling.

Many other members of the Miami Conference come up in memory who would richly merit mention and eulogy, but time would fail us to give an account of the Antrims, the Zellers, the Kemps, the Bonebrakes, the Marshalls, the Lanthurns, the Surfaces, the Hoffmans, the Gilberts, the Tobeys, the Flinchbaughs, and many others, all of whom wrought faithfully and successfully in their day and have passed on to their reward, as have all those of whom an account has been given. Long will their memory abide to stimulate and inspire those of us who remain to imitate their fidelity and diligence in the service of the Master. These were all ministers of the Word. But the memory recalls many in the Miami Conference who, though not ministers, were important factors in the work and development of the Conference. There were pioneer laymen as well as pioneer ministers. These latter, by their enterprise, benevolence, and faithful service, if less conspicuous, were not less essential factors in the work wrought. Both brethren and sisters in the Church, fathers and mothers in Israel, rise before the memory as having toiled and sacrificed in the earlier days of the Church and Conference.

The method of holding meetings in those early days was essentially different from that of the present day. Quarterly meetings on the larger circuits, consisting often of from six to a dozen or more regular appointments, were often attended by members and others from all the appointments on these large circuits, people coming five, ten, twenty or more miles, until the numbers present rivaled those at our conferences of the present day. Such meetings involved a vast amount of labor and benevolence in the entertainment of the multitudes in attendance, and many families became noted for their lavish and generous hospitality in connection with these meetings. On such occasions, after the services, great processions of carriages, buggies, and horseback riders could be seen moving toward some of these early church homes, until all the stalls in the barns were full of horses, and all the sheds were full of vehicles, and the houses thronged with guests. All this involved a vast deal of labor, which, for the most part, was cheerfully performed, and of unstinted liberality, which was cheerfully offered. Indeed, there was at times a pretty active rivalry between leading church families as to the extent of their hospitality. The writer has heard a member of one such family ask a member of another how many guests they had during the meeting, and, on being told twenty-five or thirty, reply, with an air of triumph, "We had over forty."

At such meetings in the country the lodging of the members from abroad was, at times, quite a problem. All the beds would be filled, and often large numbers would sleep upon the floor. The writer vividly recalls such occasions when the house was thronged with guests, with beds all full and rows along the floor. On such occasions not uncommonly there were among the guests some wonderful snorers, who would keep all the rest awake by their incredible power in this respect. Sometimes this would vex and anger, at other times it would excite amusement. An occasion is recalled when perhaps a dozen occupied a single large room, some in beds and the rest on the floor, trying to sleep, but not able to do so on account of one of these stertorous brethren. After a paroxysmal snore quite indescribable followed by sudden quiet, a waggish brother sat up in bed and ejaculated, "Thank God! he is dead!" which set all to laughing and drove sleep far away.

In these homes thronged with guests the preparation of meals involved great labor on the part of the sisters. Often table after table was served in succession, two, three, four, and even more, but all would be cared for.

And then, what meetings these people used to hold! sometimes in churches, sometimes in barns, sometimes in groves. Often in meetings which lasted but a few days the converts were

numbered by many scores. Among the older members of the Church there are many who were won to Christ at such meetings. These meetings were sometimes occasions of intense excitement and extraordinary physical demonstrations, and undoubtedly, as results sometimes showed, were not always free from wild-fire, but there were many genuine converts who afterwards became pillars in the Church. Among the country homes, such as have been described, of which the writer had personal knowledge and which he remembers with intense interest are those of the Hetzlers, the Zellers, the Kemps, the Thomases, the Flickingers, the Kumlers, the Foutses, the Hemps, the Judys, the Moyers, the Gilberts, the Zehrings, the Swartzels, the Shanks, the Hoffmans, the Emricks, the Burtners, and many others. Some of these names represent a number of families, and they are all important factors in the work of the Miami Conference.

Among the laymen of the Miami Conference with whom the writer esteems it a high privilege to have become acquainted in his early youth there is one whose praise is in all the churches, who only recently crossed the dark river, a medium-sized, heavy-set, round-shouldered, kindly-faced, tender-hearted, genial man. Who does not at once know that this is David L. Rike, of precious memory? What a factor he was in the Miami Conference, and, indeed, in the whole Church. For many years, as an intelligent, progressive, and spiritual Christian, as a self-sacrificing, liberal, and devoted member of the Church, he held a foremost place among the laymen of the Miami Conference. The writer became acquainted with this rare and good man in 1852, when he was yet a single man, and had but fairly begun his career as a merchant, though already a prominent and very active member of the First United Brethren Church in Dayton. A thrilling incident in his life is vividly remembered. A Sabbath-school celebration had been planned by the First Church, and the pastor, Rev. Wm. R. Rhinehart, a gentleman by the name of Rife, Mr. Rike, and the writer had gone to a grove selected near Miami Chapel, west of Dayton, to prepare for the celebration by erecting a platform, putting up swings, etc. It was a warm day, and after the work was completed, a bath in the Miami River, which flowed about a half mile south of the grove, was decided upon. Mr. Rhinehart and Mr. Rife were expert swimmers, while Mr. Rike and the writer were mere beginners. Entering the river where the current was slow and the water was deep, Mr. Rhinehart swam far down the stream, with his great, broad-brimmed palm hat on to protect his head from the sun. Mr. Rike determined to swim across the river, and, miscalculating the depth, ceased swimming where the water was yet too deep to wade, and immediately sank, became strangled and helpless. Mr. Rhinehart

was out of reach, and his rescue depended upon Mr. Rife, who swiftly swam to him and caught him just as he was sinking for the third time, and carried him to the shore; and all realized that there had been a very narrow escape from drowning. What a calamity this would have been, can now, after his long, faithful, and abundantly useful life, be appreciated as it could not then. While Mr. Rike slighted no department of church work, yet the educational work, especially as represented in Otterbein University, held supremacy in his affections, in his labors, and in his contributions. It was in this work that the writer, through a series of years, was thrown into closest association with him and learned his sterling qualities. As he writes, his soul kindles with admiration for him as a royal friend and helper in this work. Before the time of Mr. Rike, Jonathan Dresbach, of the Scioto Conference, held the chief place among the laymen of the Church as a friend and liberal supporter of the educational work, but Mr. Rike for many years has stood peerless in this respect. Nothing within the limits of his power and in the bounds of ordinary prudence seemed too great for him to undertake for this work. Long will his memory abide in the Miami Conference, and elsewhere, to inspire and stimulate to good works and noble lives those who come after him.

And now the writer departs from the course he has thus far pursued in speaking of those only who are dead, and speaks of one who is yet alive, though he has for weeks seemed to linger in that mysterious border-land which separates time from eternity, keeping us in suspense whether he will heed our beckoning and tarry with us a while longer to continue the beneficent work in which he has been so long engaged, or whether he will heed the beckoning of the angels and go speedily to his crown and his reward,—a medium-sized, erect, clean-shaven, pleasant-faced, light-haired, blunt-spoken, eccentric, enthusiastic, intensely earnest, steam-engine kind of man—in a word, the one only John Dodds. The writer has known him from his early childhood, when Mr. Dodds was yet a single young man, without fortune, working at the carpenter trade. A characteristic incident carries him back to this early period in Mr. Dodds's life. There was what was called a watch-night meeting at the home of Aunt Barbara Zehring, the house previously occupied by her father, Bishop Andrew Zeller, to which the parents of the writer had taken him. At this meeting John Dodds was present, and near midnight all went to prayer, Mr. Dodds holding his open-faced watch in hand, which excited the curiosity of the boy, and he watched the procedure with intense interest. Presently the one leading in prayer gave indications of concluding, when Mr. Dodds called out, in a loud voice, "Pray on, brother, pray us into the New Year; only three minutes to the New Year." Upon this,

the one leading started in afresh, Mr. Dodds keeping his eyes fixed upon his watch and the boy keeping his eyes fixed upon Mr. Dodds. As soon as the midnight point was passed, Mr. Dodds called out again: "You have prayed us into the New Year; you can stop now. Amen," as he arose from his knees and wound the brother up with a jerk by announcing a hymn. Several years ago, while riding with Mr. Dodds in his buggy, on which occasion he took the writer out to Woodland Cemetery and pointed out the spot where he intended that his body should rest when God should call him home, the writer took occasion to narrate this incident of his early life to Mr. Dodds. He replied, "I do not remember the incident, but it sounds like me."

Mr. Dodds affords a fine example of what a man can do with his wealth consecrated. It is highly probable that no one in the Church has ever equaled or approached him in the constancy, frequency, and liberality of his gifts. Very many worthy and struggling enterprises have been favored and helped by his generous giving, and the managers of such enterprises will greatly miss him when he goes hence. His benevolence in the Church has been centered mainly upon the missionary and church-erection work, and to these have been directed his most frequent and most liberal gifts. While other interests of the Church have not been neglected, they have not been so largely favored. Perhaps he may yet bring his splendid record for benevolence into symmetry by making his benefactions to these latter interests bear the same proportion to his other benefactions as these latter interests bear to the other interests of the Church. But whether he does, or does not, his record for benevolence stands unrivaled, and is such as to entitle him to deepest gratitude and highest honor not only from every member of the Miami Conference, but from every member of the entire Church. May God be very gracious to him in his sore affliction, and, if consistent with his will, restore him to health again, and preserve him yet many years to his family and to the Church in which, through a long life, he has so faithfully toiled.

This address has grown long enough, but must not be closed without presenting at least one pioneer mother in Israel of the Miami Conference, who must serve as a representative of a host of others. She is presented as she stands before the memory near the close of a long and useful life, a small, thin, greatly stooped—not in shoulders, but in back—ruddy-faced, bright-eyed old lady of over ninety years. It is Mother Kumler, widow of Bishop Henry Kumler, Sr., who for many years shared the burdens and toils of a pioneer minister of the Miami Conference and bishop of the United Brethren Church. She reared to manhood and womanhood a family of ten children, six stalwart sons and four daughters, and it is a matter of special interest to the

writer that his own elder children stood for a number of years, as the fifth living generation in the line of descent of this saintly pioneer mother of the Miami Conference. She was thrifty, industrious, and devout, ready to endure any hardship and make any sacrifice that the cause of Christ might be promoted and the church of Christ built up. She lived to the great age of over ninety-five years, and died revered and honored by all who knew her.

And now, in conclusion, we of the Miami Conference of to-day can look back to an inspiring record of nearly a century of toil and service for God by those who have gone before us. Our position is one of high privilege and sacred obligation. We are charged with the honor of a noble line of predecessors, and nothing but high fidelity and earnest, self-sacrificing service can render us their worthy successors. Not by words of eulogy which we may pronounce in our pioneer addresses shall we best honor their memory, but by asking God to endow us with a double portion of their spirit, and to prompt us to carry the work they so nobly began to its fullest development and most glorious consummation.

CHILDREN OF TO-DAY HEIRS OF TO-MORROW.

By Rev. S. B. Ervin, D.D.

CHILDREN are now, in their childhood, receiving impressions which in their maturity will constitute their character. Each life receives its earlier molding influences from the conditions surrounding it. For a time, indefinitely extended, the child has but little to do in shaping the future trend of its life. By the time it is able, in any intelligent or positive way, to assume responsibility in either its esthetic, moral, or intellectual make-up, the particular form of its character has assumed a high degree of fixedness. To say nothing of the hereditary tendencies and dispositions with which it began life, it is safe to assume that the framework of its character is already constructed before it is capable of assuming the responsibilities of its own career. This is the rule, for the reason that almost all build character without changing the framework given them, to any considerable extent. There are exceptions to the rule, to be sure. Some very sadly mar the form of character given them, while others as greatly improve upon theirs. Yet, whatever change there may be, there is always, even in the more exceptional cases, some remnant of their original selves.

It is not admitted that human beings are creatures of fate, but it is recognized that parents and others are responsible in a high degree in determining what the character of the childhood of their neighborhoods, and especially of their homes, shall be. Evangelize the children of the world and the world will be evangelized. But evangelization means very much more than the teaching of ethics and religious tenets. It stands for character reconstructed, or originally formed, in harmony with self and environments, and, early in life, with God.

The Christian world does not seem to be awake to the magnitude of this great work. There is a disposition to separate it from the detailed affairs of life, as if it were a thing by itself. There can be no greater mistake than this. It is a part, and an important part, of all that relates to life. The marriage relation is ordained of God for the establishment of the home. The home

is established that children may have its protecting, guiding, inspiring, and expanding influence. Nothing with respect to the improvement of society can take the place of the home. The public school is not its substitute. The Sabbath school should not be expected to supplant it. The church itself, in its most perfect organization, can in no way lessen responsibility in the home. The home was first in organization. It must stand as the central agency through which every other efficient means may, in part, at least, touch the child life.

The Sabbath school has its place and purpose. Its interest should be advanced, but it is not the *summum bonum* of child life. That honor belongs to the home, in so far as the home is what it should be. The Sabbath school can and does supplement the home, but it can never be exalted to the high position of a home well constituted and properly governed. There is no desire to minify the Sunday school, but there is an attempt to accord to the home that high position which a faithful consideration of this theme requires.

The popular notion of home influence is too superficial. It has become a sentiment that wives and mothers are the home-makers. And sometimes, in a confused way, housekeeping and home-making are regarded as about the same thing. One is as much greater than the other as the light of the sun is above the light of the moon. Fathers, as well as mothers, are home-makers, and grown sons and daughters as well as parents. The home idea includes the mental, moral, social, esthetic, and business life of the family. It emphasizes the cheerfulness, purity, nobleness, and dignity of the household. It includes the details of life, as to both the form and spirit of their execution, on the part of all the older members of the family. Home-making is going on all the time and everywhere, whether those making homes are in their residences or many miles away. Home-making is as much above residence furnishing and ornamentation as true manhood and womanhood are above brick and mortar. A cabin may be, and often is, a better home than a palatial residence. The home is the mental, moral, social, esthetic atmosphere surrounding the adult members of a family. As the earth carries its atmosphere with it, so each member of a household has continually his or her encircling character, to be inhaled by all who live under its influence, and especially by the young, irresponsible and impressible members of the family. When the personal influences of the adult members of a family are harmonious and in the right direction, and that continuously, there is a good and true home.

The true home is more fascinating for a long period of time than any other place on earth. The young people who are restless to be off on a bum, or to walk the streets of afternoons

or evenings, show that there is at least a lack of force in the right direction in their so-called home. The husband and father who thinks he must get out of his house to enjoy a few hours' leisure, who prefers up-town story-telling or club-room attractions to his residence, is to be pitied, but the greater pity is for his children.

But what has this to do with the training of children? Very much more than many think. Even if Mr. Brown has said to his wife, "I turn the moral training, the character-building, of our dear little ones over to you, where it belongs," he should know that some things cannot be done by the saying. He has a part in molding the lives of his children, even if he has disclaimed responsibility, and even if there is a beautiful sentiment which clothes the dear wife and careworn mother with the honor of character-building. Let her have honor. I would that womanly daughters and manly sons would honor her more. They will when her companion will be a companion in this the highest relation instituted by God for the race of mankind.

But it is here to be recognized that many are not to be blamed so much as they are to be taught. Many desire to do better than they are doing. They are willing to learn. How can they learn without a teacher? They have not the means at hand by which to inform themselves until they are disappointed, wholly or in part, as many of their predecessors have been. There is at this time an urgent demand for the development, formulation, and simplification of a new science, which, by general application, may become more of an art than of a science. It is not the knowing, but the doing, which tells. This new science, in its principles as old as the race and as abiding as mankind, should have the best thought of those whose children have been, from their childhood, pure-minded and active Christians, with noble and benevolent aspirations and becoming energy. The theories and scholarship of others may be helpful; but these are the ones to give form and value to such a movement. Something more than scholarship and popular theories are in demand. Absolute success is the earth in which to find the desired deposits. This should be opened out, and formations long out of sight should be brought from their silent beds, dressed, and built into a solid temple of truth. These lines may betray ignorance of what others have said and done, or it may be immodest for one so obscure to write with this confidence; but neither of these things should be allowed to drown a conviction of right. Something has been done, and in the right direction, but that which is done has not taken definite form. Neither are the lessons taught brought with emphasis before as large a number of families as should be influenced thereby.

The proposed new science, if new it would be, should be a

harmonious blending, for practical application, of principles involved in mental and moral science, in hereditary and accumulative depravity, in esthetic culture, and in kindred departments of truth, as modified by legislation, and as modifying Christian character.

The work of the church in the ministration of the gospel is threefold: first, to create the framework of a true character in the child; second, to win to Christ in childhood; and third, to build up Christian character in the believer. Until recent years the gospel was not supposed to apply in a practical way to childhood. Even now there are a few who do not believe that small children should be encouraged to trust in Christ as their Saviour and make a profession of religion. But this class is being steadily reduced. It is to be hoped that the time will soon come when every one will think that the most suitable time to accept Christ is with the first ability to accept evil ways and to form evil habits. There is no need of an apprenticeship in practical sinning before entrance into the kingdom of heaven. It is as foolish to say that a youth should be irreligious until he understands the principles and doctrines of Christianity, as to say that he should be sick until he has studied *materia medica.* If a child may have health before it is capable of understanding the laws of health, by being provided with favorable conditions, may not that same child have a symmetrical and vigorous character formed within it before it has learned to know the meaning of the word *character?* Every unbiased mind will answer in the affirmative.

The time has come to recognize the fact, and to act upon it, that the practices and thoughts of a child will affect it more or less through life. The conversion of a corrupted man does not end all that is evil within him, so that he is on an equal footing at conversion with one whose deeds and words and thoughts have been pure. He has many unnecessary battles to fight; and what is more, he is liable to fall in some of these conflicts. There is a sense in which there should be an unqualified dependence on God for salvation, but it is equally true that there is another sense in which character is to be regarded as the product of human effort or recklessness, as the case may be. We have no right to require God to do for the race what can be done by ourselves.

But, with respect to home training, there are two side-tracks, either of which may be mistaken for the main line. One is, that parents should be particularly active in requiring obedience; the other is, that regular moral and religious lessons should be taught the children. It is replied, that while obedience is important, it may be with protest, or in a purely mechanical way, and so furnish no rich blood for a vigorous growth of character.

Obedience should be secured in such a way, if possible, — and there usually is a way, — that there is a delight in the doing of the thing required. It is important that the delight be increased and the requirement obscured. The greater the delight and the less of compulsion the better. As to Scripture teaching in the home, it has its importance, but it is not the only rallying point where success in character-building is attained. The fact is, children are molded more by what *others do* than by what they themselves are *required to do*. They are influenced more by what others *practice* than by what they say.

Parents, and often older brothers and sisters in the home, stand as guardian angels of the little ones. These are training them every day, and every hour of the day, by what they do, but more especially by their general bearing and by their manner of doing. It is a frightful thing when these angels become devils, or even unfaithful. While very much of the evil of the world is the reproduction of evil practices in the home, yet it is recognized that children are under the influence of other children, and, in that way, of the parents of other homes, as well as their own. When parents are careless, or when they are not united and harmonious, there is almost sure to be a failure. The fact that they may be religious and wish their children well, has but little to do with the result. What is needed now is not so much that children be taught and required to obey, as it is that parents be taught and required, by their knowledge of the relation of mind to mind, to adapt themselves to the responsibilities they have assumed. That this may be brought about, the wisdom of holding special conventions in the interest of the home is suggested. As a product of such conventions there might be the development and simplification of normal lessons to be taught the people in special institutes.

Hundreds and thousands of mothers are anxious to know what to do and how to do. Many fathers, also, are anxious to learn. But they cannot, in many cases, until it is too late, unless there is some improved method by which a great mass of truth is brought within narrow limits and simplified. It is apparent that parents must not only be Christians, but that they must do right, in the right way and in the right spirit, and that they must "pull together" against the influences of many other people, in many of the little things of life, if they would beget in their children that love for the pure, and true, and Godlike and that contempt for petty meannesses which is a passport to true Christian manhood and womanhood.

MINUTES OF THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

MIAMI BRANCH WOMAN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

THE nineteenth annual meeting of the Miami Branch of the Woman's Missionary Association was held at Georgetown, Ohio, April 15 and 16, 1896.

The morning session on Wednesday, April 15, was opened at 9:30 A.M. by singing "Draw Me Nearer," the President, Mrs. Mary N. Keister, presiding.

After devotion, led by the President, the enrollment of delegates, life members, life directors, and life patrons followed, after which the roll was called.

A motion was made and carried that the ministerial brethren be admitted to advisory seats.

The time for adjournment was fixed at 11:30.

We were cordially welcomed with words of greeting by Mrs. Mary Wellbaum, of Georgetown, followed by a song of greeting by eight girls. Mrs. S. B. Ervin, of Arcanum, responded to the greeting.

Dr. Hatfield was then admitted to an advisory seat.

Mrs. B. F. Witt, Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Association, read her annual letter, followed by singing by the eight girls.

The reports of delegates were taken up, and twenty-five societies reported.

The President appointed the committees, which were as follows:

On Officers—Mrs. J. G. Huber, Miss Miller, Mrs. Della Long.

On Delegates to Board Meeting—Miss Mollie Warner, Mrs. Flora Keister, Miss Jennie Worman.

On Evangel—Mrs. W. J. Pruner, Mrs. E. Hamilton, Mrs. Reed.

On Resolutions—Mrs. W. C. Niswonger, Mrs. Daisy Nipgen, Miss Mary Lear, Mrs. T. F. Bushong, Mrs. Gaskell.

Evangel Agent—Mrs. F. H. Bohn.

After the announcements, Rev. F. H. Bohn pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session was opened at 1:30 P. M.

Devotion was led by Mrs. N. Prugh, of High Street Church. Scripture reading, Ps. 25.

The business of the session was taken up with the roll call and the reading of the morning minutes.

The annual report of the Secretary was read and accepted.

The annual report of the Treasurer was read by Mrs. B. F. Witt, in the absence of Mrs. G. A. Funkhouser. Report was accepted.

Mrs. W. C. Niswonger, of Lewisburg, sang a solo, and fraternal greetings from Miami Conference were given by Rev. G. P. Macklin.

After singing by the congregation a paper on Portland work, by Mrs. L. K. Miller, was read by Mrs. W. H. Klinefelter.

Special music was given by the eight girls.

The offering was presented by Mrs. Bertha Gerlaugh, and quite a number pledged to give a certain amount during the year.

A motion was made and carried that the evening collection be given to defray Dr. Hatfield's expenses to the Branch meeting.

Springfield sent an invitation for the next meeting, and, on motion, it was accepted.

A memorial service for those that had been called to higher service during the year was led by Miss Nola Shawen.

As some time was still left, it was voted that we again take up the reports of delegates. Seven societies reported, making a total of thirty-two reporting.

Miss Carrie Baker was elected delegate to the Annual Conference.

Rev. G. W. Hamilton pronounced the benediction.

EVENING SESSION.

The evening session was opened at 7:00 P.M. with singing by the congregation, and music by the Georgetown choir.

Mrs. B. F. Witt conducted a Bible reading on "Willing-Heartedness," followed by prayer by Rev. G. P. Macklin.

A song by the eight girls and a recitation by Alice Detro were enjoyed.

After singing by the Georgetown choir, Dr. Hatfield gave a very instructive talk on her work in Africa.

The collection taken amounted to $7.59.

Announcements on entertainment were made by Mrs. B. Ditmer.

Benediction by Rev. W. J. Pruner.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Session opened at 9:00 A.M.

Devotion was led by Mrs. W. J. Pruner, after which the President took the chair.

Business was taken up with roll call and the reading of the minutes of the two previous sessions.

Miss Mollie Warner read words of greeting sent by Mrs. Jennie Leas, of West Manchester.

After a solo by Miss Brookins, the report of the Committee on Nominations was read by Miss Miller. The result of the election was: President, Mrs. Mary N. Keister; First Vice-President, Mrs. G. M. Mathews; Second Vice-President, Mrs. B. Ditmer; Secretary, Carrie Baker; Treasurer, Mrs. G. A. Funkhouser.

Report of Committee on Delegates to Board Meeting was read by Miss Mollie Warner. Result of election: Dr. Hatfield, Mrs. Mary A. Keister, Mrs. Bertha Gerlaugh; alternates, Mrs. W. J. Pruner, Mrs. S. Worman, Mrs. W. C. Niswonger.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

DAYTON DISTRICT.

ARCANUM—J. W. Kilbourn, Pastor.

Mrs Davis	$1 00	Jacob Thomas	$1 00	Sallie Hapner	$ 50
Perry Briney	1 00	D S Albright	2 00	B F Keller	2 00
Mrs Maggie Bercaw	25	Mrs Elizabeth Albright	50	Wm Keller	1 00
Mrs John Fourman	50	Mrs Mary A Albright	50	Sol Mulenix	25
David Keller	3 00	Dexter Albright	1 50	Chas Mulenix	50
J W Kilbourn	10 00	Mrs Susan Bunnell	50	Edith Mundhenk	50
Perley Kilbourn	1 00	Mrs Sarah Burk	1 00	Weltha Mundhenk	25
Martin Rogers	5 00	Amanda Burk	1 00	Rebecca Mundhenk	50
Mrs Andrew Robeson	50	May Burk	25	Mrs Minerva Parks	50
T D Smith	5 00	Andrew Clark	5 00	Dayton Thomas	1 00
Jacob Stahl	50	Cora Caylor	1 25	W M Trump	3 00
Mary Wallace	2 50	Mrs H O Fourman	50	Helena Hadfield	50
Grace Wallace	25	E B Hawley	1 00		
Chas Minnich	1 00	J S Hoffman	1 50	Total	$60 50
Julia Minnich	1 00				

BOWLUSVILLE—W. L. Bunger, Pastor.

Sabbath School	$5 00	William Morris	$1 00	Emma Haerr	$1 00
J F Businger	5 00	Effie Evilsizor	25	Almira Evilsizor	1 00
John Haerr	2 00	Mrs Brown	50	Lizzie Hughes	30
Mrs John Haerr	50	Maggie Atwell	50	Lawrence Stover	16
Anna Haerr	50	On Missionary Cards—		Lafayette Atwell	1 00
H C Bowlus	1 25	Glena Bowlus	1 20	Myrtie Steinbarger	57
J L Bowlus	1 00	Sylvia Anderson	1 00	John Handen	50
Mrs S H Bowlus	50	Edith Rosa	1 00	Etta Evilsizor	25
James Dallas	2 00	Lena Brown	1 00	Warder Dear	1 00
J M Laughrey	1 00	Mabel Dear	1 00		

DAYTON FIRST CHURCH—G. M. Mathews, Pastor.

Achor, Mrs Emma	$ 50	Beyl, Dr C S	$6 00	Collins, Mrs Jennie	$1 00
Achor, Thornton	25	Booher, Mrs Anna	1 00	Coghill, Mrs Mary	1 00
Artz, J Elam	6 00	Blocher, W L	2 00	Crabbs, B F	1 00
Appenzellar, H M	1 00	Beard, W H	1 00	Clevenger, Willie	1 00
Allaman, D W	3 00	Barnard, Z W	3 00	Clevenger, Geo	1 00
Applegate, James	25 00	Bouck, O L	1 00	Conover, Mrs Laura	1125
Auchey, D G	2 00	Briggs, Mrs M J	3 00	Clevenger, J L	1 00
Appenzellar, C A	2 00	Berger, D	10 00	Clevenger, Lulu	50
Bates, Miss Edith	50	Brierley, Geo K	3 00	Clevenger, Laura	50
Binkerd, J S	5 00	Buehler, E	2 00	Custer, Dr L E	2 50
Brown, A F	12 00	Brentlinger, Howard	1 00	Coghill, W D	50
Beistle, Miss Anna M	2 00	Cash	40 00	Dimmitt, Mrs Charlotte	50
Beistle, Miss Ella	4 00	Carles, Mrs Ella	75		

DAYTON FIRST CHURCH—Continued.

Dodds, Mrs John	$5 00
Dodds, Mays	1 00
Durst, Mrs J W	3 00
Dodgson, W W	5 00
Davy, Mrs Kate	1 00
Eckert, Mrs K A	5 00
Ebey, Elmer	1 00
Ellis, E W	2 00
Emrick, Orion	50
Freed, B F	2 50
Fauver, John	50
Fetters, J F	1 00
Finley, J H	3 50
Finley, Mrs J H	1 50
Gohn, Miss Mary	50
Guitner, Miss Lela	5 00
Gump, A W	10 00
Galloway, Wm	1 00
Good, Mrs Mary	50
Graze, Mrs Sarah	50
Grove, J H	1 00
Gilbert, W A	5 00
Hall, Mrs N A	28 00
Hall, Chas J	8 00
Hall, Ruskin P	1 00
Hall, Elizabeth Mary	1 00
Hall, Charles Ralph	1 00
Hall, Herbert F	1 00
Hall, Gains P	1 00
Hall, Alice L	55
Hedges, Mamie	1 00
Hoffman, Ida	50
Hoffman, Laura	1 00
Hixson, Mrs M and G	3 00
Hippard, C W	5 00
Hoffman, W H	5 00
Hunsaker, Mrs W H	50
Harter, Miss Belle	1 00
Harlacher, Ethel	10
Harlacher, Grace	10
Horn, Fred and family	5 00
Heefner, P B	50
Harden, E R	5 00
Judson, F H	$2 00
Kumler, S E	21 00
Kumler, C B	1 00
Kumler, I G	1 00
Kumler, Miss Mary	1 00
Kephart, Rev I L	7 00
Kramer, Mrs J J	1 00
Klugel, Miss Effie	2 00
Kepler, Miss Lutie	1 00
Kalter, Geo W	2 50
Kline, Mrs Robt E	2 00
Laubach, Mrs Jennie	50
Lippman, Mr and Mrs D F	1 00
Lowes, Mrs J E	1 00
Lemaster, G W	1 50
LaRue, Mrs J H	2 00
Lynn, Mrs E E	50
Lyon, C H	10 00
Lanthurn, Mrs C	1 00
Long, Mrs Margaret	1 00
Mudge, Mrs Mary	1 00
Miller, Miss Nettie	1 00
McFadden, T G	1 00
Miller, L O	10 00
Mathews, Rev G M	13 00
Mathews, Mrs G M	1 00
Mathews, Milton	2 00
McFadden, Mrs R H	2 50
McFadden, Miss Cora	2 50
Marquardt, Mrs Louise	3 00
Marot, Benj	20 00
Munden, J A	50
Nixon, Mrs Amanda	1 00
Noe, Joseph	50
Neihaus, Mrs Amelia	50
Neihaus, Miss Augusta	50
Nipgen, Dr and Mrs F M	10 00
Ogier, Mrs Sarah	50
Oblinger, Mrs Gates C	5 00
Opdyke, Mrs	50
Ozias, O O	10 00
Ozias, W D	3 00
Phelps, Mrs Minnie	$ 50
Pitton, Mrs Susannah	50
Rader, Miss Loma	2 00
Reeder, Earl	1 00
Ross, Mr and Mrs I C	50
Reist, A H	1 00
Rike, Mrs D L	30 00
Rike, Fred H	21 00
Rike, Miss Susan K	3 00
Riddle, Mrs Sarah	1 00
Reiter, Mrs Ida	50
Randall, Omar	1 00
Shauck, Prof A B	4 00
Shauck, Miss Alice	75
Shauck, Miss Carrie	75
Shauck, Judge J A	5 00
Saunders, Miss Mollie	25
Summers, Mrs John	1 00
Schlarath, Mrs C	25
Spitler, Miss Laura	50
Spitler, Miss Maude	50
Stine, Mrs Annie	1 00
Seabrook, Chas M	1 00
Shuey, E L	15 00
Shuey, Rev W J	50 00
Shuey, Mrs W J	10 00
Snediker, Mrs Thos	1 00
Studebaker, Miss Clara	25
Senseney, J L	2 00
Senseney, Miss Helen	1 00
Tobias, Mrs H L	25
Credit on Offering for U B Seminary	53 00
Vorhees, Mr and Mrs F	1 50
Wolf, Miss Minnie E	50
Wolf, Mrs Nancy	1 00
Wright, Miss Kate	1 00
Witt, Mrs B F	10 00
Wirsching, E J	50
Weaver, Bishop J	5 00
Williams, J J	2 00
Zehring, W S	1 00
Total	$655 00

DAYTON HARTFORD STREET—J. A. Eby, Pastor.

E V Dravenstadt	$ 7 00
J A Eby	5 00
Mrs J A Eby	5 00
M R Drury	5 00
Maude Cowling	3 00
D F Dickensheets	3 00
Mrs D F Dickensheets	3 00
Etta York	2 25
Mrs T Clements	2 00
Lizzie McDaniels	2 00
Mrs Ben Herr	2 00
W H Rowe	2 00
Mrs P O Gustin's S S Class	1 50
Mrs E Dravenstadt	1 00
C H Taylor	1 00
Mrs C H Taylor	1 00
A Garst	1 00
Mrs A Garst	1 00
Oliver Apple	1 00
J R Harlacher	$1 00
Mrs J R Harlacher	1 00
F N Trissel	1 00
Mrs F N Trissel	1 00
F R Gustin	1 00
Mrs F R Gustin	1 00
J W Highlen	1 00
Lily Stockman	1 00
Mrs P O Gustin	1 00
Mrs E V Dravenstadt	1 00
E S Eby	1 00
C M Huddle	1 00
Wm Stuck	1 00
Nettie Bryan	1 00
S T Coate	1 00
C Cotterman	1 00
F E Ervin	1 00
Alva Kauffman	1 00
Harry Pentz	1 00
Mrs Jennie Trine	1 00
S W Sauerbrun	$1 00
L E Stoner	1 00
E E Ridenour	1 00
Peter Walton	1 00
Miriam Eby	1 00
Ervin E Eby	1 00
Geo Welbaum	50
Mrs Geo Welbaum	50
Ralph Garst	50
Mr Gard	50
Mrs Gard	50
Mrs J Mendham	50
W C Cahall	50
Mrs W C Cahall	50
Mrs L B Stone	50
Geo Ulm	50
Nellie Olinger	50
A C Hoover	50
Mrs A C Hoover	50
Olive Parker	50

DAYTON HARTFORD STREET—CONTINUED.

Mrs Belle Williams	$ 50	Walter Gustin	$ 25	Mrs M E Miller	$ 25
C A Leonard	50	Mrs Laura Cooper	25	Pearl Hopping	25
Mrs C A Leonard	50	Lizzie Blair	25	Lawrence Dickensheets	25
Mrs Anna Beal	50	E Craig	25	Howard Dickensheets	25
Jessie Beal	50	Mrs L Hubely	25	Mrs S Leonard	25
Mrs H Pentz	50	Mrs F E Powell	25	L E Stoner	25
C W Laughlin	50	Maude McQuality	25	Mrs M Martin	25
Mrs C W Laughlin	50	Harold Powell	25	Carrie Martin	25
Mrs S Sauerbrun	50	Kenton Garst	25	Vernon Dravenstadt	50
H G Babbitt	50	Clara McQuality	25	Willie Clements	25
Mrs H G Babbitt	50	C W Olinger	25	May Clements	25
Mrs Wm Rowe	50	Harry Patterson	25	Jeanie Clements	25
Howard Trissel	50	Jessie Patterson	25	Mrs A Hoover	25
Charles Goss	50	Mrs J C Loy	25	Mrs Elizabeth Hager	25
Mrs E Craig	50	Samuel Leonard	25	J LaFever	25
F E Powell	50	Will Bolender	25	Esta Kern	25
Mrs H Garst	50	Mrs L S Powell	25	Newton Barnes	25
J E Needham	50	Miriam Mowry	25	Frank Gard	25
Mrs J E Needham	50	Edith Mowry	25	Mrs E Parker	25
Mrs E Garst	50	Claude McQuality	25	Elsie Laughlin	25
J W McQuality	50	Frank Hager	25	R J Laughlin	25
L S Powell	50	J H Awfuldish	25	Clifford Laughlin	25
J R Hoffman	50	Mrs R Merrick	25	Leona Rowe	25
Mrs J R Hoffman	50	J B Parker	25	Mrs S Rowe	25
A Schaefer	50	Mrs J B Parker	25	Cleo Cotterman	25
Mrs C O Norton	50	Willie Cotterman	25	Jennie Cline	25
Jonathan Bolender	50	Mrs C Belville	25	Clara Spresser	25
Vera Miller	25	Goldie Trine	25	W M Bell (special)	13 75
Alice Warhurst	25	Juno Pentz	25	Y P C U (Los Angeles)	3 75
Clair Bell	25	Ethel Pentz	25		
Arthur Gustin	25				

DAYTON HIGH STREET—WM. CLEAVER, Pastor.

Conference collections, taken through the Sunday school.

Class 1.

Mrs Fauver	$0 25
Mabel Wilson	25
Corine Boghart	03

Class 2.

Nellie Hardy	65
Mamie Hardy	25
Blanche Wilson	10

Class 3.

Mrs Perrine	$1 00
Jacob Perrine	1 00
Roy Wilson	75
Howard Hagerman	01
Russel Fudge	01
Willie Wonderly	05
Joe Kervis	05
Lawrence Wilson	02

Class 6.

D S Wilson	$0 50
Mrs Boone	50
Mrs Stephens	50
Mrs Cox	25
Mrs Lehman	25
Mrs Baltzel	50
Mrs Myers	50
Mrs Shaeffer	1 50

Mrs Morris	$ 25
Mrs Laur	10
Mrs Griscel	1 00
Mrs Portsmouth	25
Mrs Showalter	25
Cash	25

Class 7.

Mrs Hambright	$1 00
Mrs Halstead	1 00
T F Halstead	1 00
Mrs Kaufman	50
Walter Halstead	25
J M Koontz	6 00
Mrs Ward	1 00
Mrs H Merkley	50
Mrs Whitney	50
Mrs C Binkley	25
Mrs Poorman	25
Mrs Schlemmer	50
Charles Schlemmer	50
Mrs J Kline	25
Carl Morris	10
Arthur Fry	05
Albert Boone	05
Carl Meuche	10
Wilber Fudge	05

Class 8.

Agnes Yohe	$0 25
Cash	6 30

Class 9.

Mrs Kirkpatrick	$0 50
Lizzie Chryst	50
Jennie Small	50
Lillie Stone	50
Josephine Stone	50
Dora Miller	50
Cash	05

Class 14.

Nannie Prugh	$1 00
Daisy Coy	25
Mabel Hagerman	05
Jennie Boroff	05
Grace Boone	05
Pansy Baker	10
Stella Carnes	05
Bessie Markland	10
Rena Guckes	05
Grace Hoagland	25
Susie Schlemmer	05
Cash	68

Class 15.

E G Koontz	$ 2 00
Rev W A Shuey	25 00
W G Tanner and wife	15 00
E S Lorenz	6 00
Robert Kline	5 00
H S Steffey	1 00

DAYTON HIGH STREET—Continued.

Hugh Kline	$1 00
Fred Rudy	50
Charles Merkley	50
Mrs Poland	25
Mrs M Wheeler	25
William Reichert	75
Charles Faul	50
Harry Cridland	50
Otto Kemline	25
Willie Christ	50
George Douthitt	10
Harry Schlotterbeck	50
Mrs K V Butt	1 00
W P Brown and wife	1 50
Harry Wachter	25
Cash	1 00

Class 17.

Mrs Julia Tharp	$0 50
Minnie Douthitt	10
Mrs Douthitt	10
Carrie Fauver	05

Class 18.

Mrs Lamme	$1 00
Lillie Butt	25
Myrtle Hoagland	25
Cash	12

Class 19.

Josephine Beard	$0 25
Gracie Groby	10
Annie Reece	10
Ethel Shaefer	10
Jennie Dodd	$ 05
Nellie Smith	05

Class 20.

Mrs Wilson	$0 25
James Laur	10
Brooks Daedy	21
Walter Denterlein	05
Tommy Portsmouth	10

Class 21.

Wm Cleaver	$2 00
L H Cline	1 00
L D Sodders	50
Willis Smith	50
Katie Miller	1 25
Mrs L Good	50
Wm Portsmouth	1 50
J Yohe	25
George McDonald	30
George Griscel	05
H S Merkley	25
H W Eikmyer	10
J H Welsh	1 00
Geo Stephens	50
J C Morris	50
J S Cox	50
Daisy Miller	1 50
A D Lamme	75
Cash	20

Class 22.

Carrie Baker	$0 50
Mrs H A Baker	35
Emma Kervis	$ 50
Pearl Lehman	10
Cash	06

Class 23.

Viola Hagen	$1 00
Cash	07

Class 24.

Louetta Boone	$0 50
Moddie Cleaver	1 75
Frank Huston	10
Walter Griscel	30
Cash	08

Class 25.

Mrs Cleaver	$1 50
Claudie Lamme	50
Pearl Koontz	26
Emma Wonderlich	05
Mattie Kline	02

Primary Class.

Mrs. Yohe	$1 50
Hazel Tizzard	16
Martha Markley	25
Mary Markley	25
Della Hause	50
Vernon Yohe	25
Maudie Griscel	2 05
Willing Workers	16 00
Easter Birthday Offering	28 49

DAYTON HOME AVENUE—F. G. Grigsby, Pastor.

Sabbath school for missions	$55 00

DAYTON MIAMI CHAPEL—J. H. Mayne, Pastor.

J H Mayne	$26 00
J A Smith	10 25
Wm Bittner	5 00
Jos Richley	5 00
Sabbath school	5 00
Jos Nicholas	3 00
A C Nicholas	3 00
George Young	3 00
Luther Fravel	2 00
Harry Haller	2 00
John Michael	2 00
Ellen Simmerman	2 00
Amanda Haller	2 00
Cornelius Michael	1 50
Kate Staley	1 50
Martin Messler	1 00
Jacob Simmerman	$1 00
Jacob Michael	1 00
Mary Puterbaugh	1 00
John Steiner	1 00
Laura Harbaugh	1 00
Sophia Michael	1 00
Anna Fravel	1 00
Ira Fravel	1 00
Laura Michael	75
Almira Reed	50
Chas Reed	50
M L Haller	50
Edward Rayback	50
Earl Puterbaugh	50
S P Michael	50
Jennie Merrick	50
Mary Seigle	$ 50
Mary E Bolander	50
Kate Rider	50
Ella Fleming	50
Geo Rider	50
Mary Stuck	50
John Zoll	25
Wilmer Nicholas	25
Rebecca Frend	25
Mary E Bittner	25
Lottie Bittner	25
Stella Bittner	25
Isaac Smith	25
Luther Haller	25
Callie Hullman	25

DAYTON NORTH MAIN STREET—G. P. Macklin, Pastor.

H H Cassel and wife	$10 00
Robert Cowden & wife	6 00
W M Weekley & wife	5 00
H F Shupe and wife	5 00
H G Henley & family	5 00
William Caulthard & wife	$5 00
J W Guiler & family	5 00
G P Macklin & family	5 00
S B Maeder & family	4 00
Mary A Shupe	$4 00
S W Keister & wife	3 00
Mollie Warner	2 00
John N Seabold & wife	2 00
S A Perry and wife	2 00

DAYTON NORTH MAIN STREET—Continued.

Charles Klepinger and wife	$2 00
Ida Warner	1 50
James McGinnis	1 50
Irma Shupe	1 00
D P Hoffman	1 00
Stella Weekley	1 00
Edna Weekley	1 00
Dessa Weekley	1 00
Mary McGinnis	1 00
Agnes Ford	1 00
Martha Stutsman	1 00
A Collins	1 00
Simon McGinnis	1 00
A E Emerick	1 00
James F Anderson	1 00
Alice Keister	50
Albert S Keister	50
Sodella Macklin	$ 50
E W Wines	50
Earl Seabold	25
Cash	3 49
Total	$85 74

Fairview Class.

B F Mumma	$2 00
Oliver Shawen	2 00
C C Shawen	1 00
Nola C Shawen	1 00
Emma Platt	1 00
Aurora Platt	1 00
Charles Shawen	50
S S Andes	50
Edith Fromm	50
Hattie Shoemaker	$ 50
Mrs Shoemaker	50
Gertie Shoemaker	50
Marian W Mumma	25
Mary F Lear	25
Mrs Smallwood	25
A V Kinsey	25
Harley Spitler	25
Bertha Kurtz	25
Katie Kurtz	25
Clara Gayer	25
Lon R Utz	25
George Zumbren	25
Total	$13 50
Grand total	$99 24

DAYTON SUMMIT STREET—W. H. Klinefelter, Pastor.

Aikman, Amanda	$0 25
Archer, Mrs J C	25
Brosier, Martie	50
Brosier, Fred	1 00
Billman, Mrs C A	50
Barnett, Henry	1 00
Clark, Mrs Wm	50
Culbert, Mrs W H	1 00
Drury, A W	20 00
Drury, Mrs M R	5 00
Davidson, O E	5 00
Ewing, Nettie	50
Etter, Mrs Sarah	2 00
Fouts, George	1 00
Fetters, Mrs D	25
Funkhouser, G A, and wife	17 00
Funkhouser, Fred A	5 00
Funkhouser, C A	3 00
Funkhouser, Luther	50
Funkhouser, Geo, Jr	50
Faust, S D	13 00
Fackler, Wm	2 50
Gilbert, Mrs Hannah	50
Gilbert, F J	2 50
Gilbert, Mrs Susie	50
Gilbert, J A, and wife	10 00
Harper, George P, and wife	2 50
Hoffman, Miss Etta	25
Hoffman, G L	1 50
Hoffman, Mrs G L	1 00
Hoffman, Alfred	$ 50
Hoffman, Mr and Mrs J R	5 00
Hoffman, Christina	1 00
Hoffman, D A	50
Horner, Emerson	2 00
Herr, S L	5 00
Klinefelter, W H, and wife	15 00
Klinefelter, Theron A	50
Klinefelter, Cyril F	25
Keller, George	6 00
Keller, Mrs Emma	50
Keller, Melissa	1 10
Kemp, S E	5 00
Kreitzer, Mrs J W	2 00
Kumler, J B, and wife	4 00
Landis, J P	20 50
Lorenz, E S	25 00
Lorenz, Karl K	1 00
Light, Mrs Katie	8 00
Lemmerman, Ella	1 00
Long, Catharine	25
Miller, Mrs L K	3 00
McHenry, Albert	5 00
McKee, William	9 50
McKee, Mrs L A	6 50
McKee, Libbie	6 50
McKee, Ernest	6 50
Miller, D R	10 00
Minich, S A	6 10
Nicholas, Mrs Alonzo	25
Nicholas, Mrs Mary A	$1 75
Nicholas, Laura V	1 00
Nicholas, Mrs James	25
Nicholas, Margaret	10
Nicholas, A J	1 00
Ozias, Mrs H C	3 00
Rogers, E J	5 00
Roberts, Lizzie	2 00
Repp, Mrs Eliza	25
Shelby, Lillian	15
Smith, Mrs Anna	1 15
Smith, Bertie	10
Shoop, Frederick	3 00
*The Sunday school	7 00
Schenk, Mrs S A	1 00
Schenk, Anna	1 00
Smock, Susan	25
Shank, Mrs Joshua	5 00
Taylor, Mrs Minnie	75
Thompson, H A	5 00
Wise, M F	25
Wright, Mrs W L	50
Wright, Orville	1 00
White, Martha	15
Woodway, Mrs Mary	50
Winder, P A	1 00
Zehring, L P	3 50
A friend	1 00

*The Sunday school pays $100 per calendar year to missions, special.

DAYTON OAK STREET—H. H. Fout, Pastor.

Ladies' Aid Society	$40 00
Y P C U	10 00
Sunday school	3 29
H H Fout	15 00
Nelson Routzohn	5 00
L M Mittendorf	4 00
Charles Balskey	4 00
Mrs C A Booth	4 00
F B Anderson	2 50
Ina Van Skaik	2 50
Linnie Van Skaik	2 50
Dr E F Burkert	2 00
Dr J R McCally	$2 00
James Andrews	2 00
Korah Black	2 00
H A Ewing	2 00
A J Beam	2 00
D W Coughenour	2 00
Mrs Carrie Bowersox	2 00
L W Anderson	1 50
John Duncan	1 00
J E Kline	1 00
C H Pierson	1 00
Mrs H A Pierson	1 00
Adah C Pierson	$1 00
D M Lownie	1 00
Charles Kalter	1 00
Mrs Amelia Jones	1 00
Joseph Kunz	1 00
James S Welsh	1 00
Mrs Margaret Welsh	1 00
Mary Welsh	1 00
Anna Gebhart	1 00
George Turner	1 00
T J Grimes	1 00
D J Good	1 00

DAYTON OAK STREET—CONTINUED.

J H Wolfe	$1 00	Mrs Sarah Moler	$1 00	Bertha Anderson	$ 50
Mrs B Mullen	1 00	Mrs Cora Downey	1 00	Preston Kalter	50
E H Whitaker	1 00	William Weiretter	1 00	Mrs S A Lighty	50
Jeremiah Wade	1 00	Mr Rinefrank	1 00	Mary Johnson	50
Mrs Susan Smith	1 00	Joseph Perrine	1 00	Mrs Emma Weaver	50
Kate Nicholas	1 00	T J Sterling	1 00	Mrs M Routzohn	50
B F Pasco	1 00	A T Martin	1 00	Mrs A H Williamson	50
Frank Fitzwater	1 00	E A Eversole	1 00	Rose Darner	50
T E Stewart	1 00	Mrs Isadore Ditmars	1 00	Mrs E Zuercher	50
Mrs Fannie Gregg	1 00	Arthur Dross	1 00	Mrs Nancy Gosnell	50
Mrs Lida Will	1 00	Mrs Elizabeth Bundy	1 00	Mrs G Stratton	50
Peter Keil	1 00	William F Brookey	1 00	L H Bennet	25
William Klinger	1 00	Mrs. Elizabeth Mathews	1 00	D L Evans	25
Mrs Josephine Anderson	1 00	Mrs Mabel Sonanstine	50	Mrs E A Caldwell	25
Joseph Hahn	1 00	Mrs B F Andrews	50	Mrs Mary Van Cleaf	55
Cora Carson	1 00	Mrs Ella Kalter	50	Cash	6 21
Mrs Rebecca Blackburn	1 00	Bertena M Kline	50	John Dodds special	2,000 00
Mrs Joseph Berry	1 00	Ada Bowersox	50	Total	$2,173 30
		Mrs Sarah Kunz	50		

ELDORADO—T. F. BUSHONG, Pastor.

Otterbein Class.

John Hetzler	$12 00
Ezra Price and wife	10 00
Ellen Hetzler	8 00
Henry Hetzler	7 00
Mary E Hetzler	5 00
Ezra Hetzler	5 00
John Slifer	5 00
Frederick Hawkey, Sr	5 00
Harrison Coblentz	5 00
Michael Price and wife	5 00
John Coblentz and wife	5 00
Simeon Garrison and wife	5 00
Ezra Slifer and wife	4 00
R G Howell and wife	3 00
Catherine Slifer	3 00
James Benson	2 50
Chas McLear and wife	2 50
Samuel Grubbs	2 00
Emma Worch	2 00
Eliza Hetzler	2 00
Chloe Miller	2 00
B F Emerick	2 00
John H Hetzler and wife	2 00
Alice Dutro	1 00
Caroline Coblentz	1 00
James Gilbert	1 00
Edith Kennedy	1 00
James Gabbart	1 00
George Worch	1 00
Chas Huff	1 00
Mary E Farst	1 00
Jacob Geeting	1 00
Roy Howell	1 00
Laura Broadstock	1 00
Emeline Wilt	1 00
Martin Miller	1 00
Louis Slifer	1 00
Frank Coblentz and wife	1 00
Mrs Samuel Horine	1 00
Otho Dutro	1 00
Thomas Pierce	$1 00
Isa Coblentz	1 00
Michael Miller	50
Eliza Miller	50
John Geeting	50
Clayton Duckwall	50
Julia Hetzler	50
Joseph Eliker	50
Martha Morris	50
Elizabeth Geeting	50
Christina Hetzler	50
Elva Price	50
Cora Price	50
Cora Bunger	50
Fred Hawkey, Jr	50
D Curt Geeting	50
Anderson Judy	50
Mrs Ananias Emerick	50
Catherine Hamilton	50
Ross Roberts	25
V J Eyer	25
Chas Coblentz	25
Eva Horine	25
Geo W Duckwall	12
Eva Geeting	10
J Coblentz	05
Edgar Coblentz	05
Pearl Coblentz	05
Sabbath School	4 68
Total	$137 55
Woman's Work	$17 02
Sanitarium	2 85
Los Angeles	3 65
Topeka, Kansas	58 00
Grand Total	$219 07

Eldorado Class.

W C Randall and wife	$10 00
Wm Coblentz	10 00
Henry Ault	5 00
Mrs T F Bushong	5 00
John H Spitler	$5 00
Francis M Petry and wife	4 00
Mrs Mollie Coblentz	2 50
Harvey Minnick and wife	2 00
Jennie Bonebrake	2 00
Joseph Gruver	2 00
Henry Bunger and wife	1 50
Samuel Stump & wife	1 50
Harvey Ault and wife	1 50
C D Odell and wife	1 50
Eliza Spitler	1 00
Mary Farlow	1 00
Mary Judy	1 00
Chas S Bunger	1 00
Wm Fowble and wife	1 00
Eliza McCabe	1 00
Mattie Miller	1 00
U T Lawrence	1 00
Isaac Henderson	1 00
H M Petry	50
Elizabeth J. Slusser	50
Mary E Stump	50
Frank Gruver	50
W A Eby	50
Emma Eby	50
Emma Holsinger	50
Lucinda Miller	50
O E Brasier and wife	50
Kitty Adkins	30
Eliza LeFever	25
E C Rogers	25
Mrs Dr Davisson	50
John A Guenther	50
Mae Shumaker	25
Sallie Ward	25
Fred A Bunger	25
Emily Coovert	25
Kate Bunger	25
Mary A Bunger	25
Sarah Ervin	25
Elizabeth Edins	25
Acrilla Gartrell	25
F D Gossert	25

ELDORADO—Continued.

James Adkins	$ 50
John Gruver	25
W H Keckler	25
Minnie McClure	25
Margaret Rowe	25
Emma Sterling	15
Rex McLear	05
Tracy McLear	05
Sabbath school	2 60
Total	$75 65
Woman's Missions	20 00
Topeka, Kansas	5 00
Grand total	$100 65

Manchester Class.

Asa Leas and family	$20 00
Anderson Leas & wife	10 00
John Fowble & wife	2 00
John Hornaday & wife	2 00
Elizabeth Cassairt	1 50
Maggie Mundhenk	1 00
Julia Gangwer	1 00
Cora Leas	1 00
Sarah Leas	1 00
Ida M Fager	50
M A Banta	50
Martha Cooper	50
Marion Oldfather	50
G A Bentz	50

John E Leas	$ 50
Kate Holzmiller	25
Cora Studabaker	25
Cerilda Kraus	25
Chester Fowble	25
Sabbath School	1 01
Total	$44 51
Woman's Missions	19 72
Grand Total	$64 23
Grand Total, Circuit	$383 95

GREENVILLE—W. J. Pruner, Pastor.

G W Hartzell & wife	$11 00
W J Pruner and wife	5 00
Harry Hartzell & wife	2 00
John Conk	1 50
Eleanor Stamback	1 00
John Mong	1 00
Laura Albright	1 00
Mabel Vantilburg	1 00
W D Brumbaugh	1 00
Daniel Raisoner	1 00
T F Rogers	1 00
Angeline McOwen	1 00
Emma Hathaway	1 00
G W Elker	1 00
J P Meeker	1 00
Ellen Esty	1 00
Alice Guy	50
Sarah Guy	50
William Cochran	50
Mary E Cochran	$ 50
Grace Cochran	50
Nina Ridenour	50
Emma Biehant	50
John Ricker	50
Elizabeth Brumbaugh	50
Carrie Brumbaugh	50
Anna Swope	50
Bertha Swope	50
Pearl Perry	25
Flora F Mong	25
Abraham Weaver	25
Sylvia Studebaker	25
Eva Sharrit	25
Harriet Wolf	25
Catharine Brower	25
Elizabeth Raisenor	25
Ida Norris	25
Mary Bentler	$ 25
John McQuay	25
Frank Brumbaugh	25
Mattie Howe	25
Eli Stamback	25
Mary J Deavor	20
Harry Markwith	10
Cash collection, Concord	90
Cash	50
Total	$42 70
Endeavor Society for Africa	25 00
Woman's Missionary Society	19 00
Grand Total	$86 70

HARRISBURG—S. S. Kirts, Pastor.

Thomas Berry	$1 00
Christian Herr	50
L A Albert	50
John Wismer	50
Warren Wismer	$ 50
Mrs Hoover	25
Ellen Fetters	25
S S Kirts	25
Samuel Berry	$ 25
Public collection	4 25
Total	$8 25

ITHACA—A. Dunkleberger, Pastor.

Georgetown Class.

Levi Ammon	$5 00
Mrs L Ammon	5 00
Collection	1 30
Silas Stump	50
Chas Ammon	1 00
Albert Albaugh	1 00
Harry Farling	25
M M Lanthan	25
W Burris	10
E S Calaway and wife	50
Harry Ammon	25
Wm Ammon	50
Chas Welbaum and wife	5 00
J C Henderson and wife	3 00
Mary Farling	1 00
Henry Farling	1 00
Enoch Stauffer and wife	$1 00
E Bridenbaugh and wife	1 50
Mrs A Carroll	2 00
Christ Herman	1 00
Sunday School	3 00
Joe Markley	2 00
Vick Henderson	25
Liddie Bridenbaugh	1 00
Emma Coppock	1 00
J A Ditmer	50
Mother Shearer	10
C D Albaugh	05
D Albaugh	10
Wm Lanthan	15
D H Young	25
W K Klinger	25
Mrs D Albaugh	25
Daisy Dovis	25
G Minnick	$ 10
Dovis Longnecker	25
H H Albaugh	50
Total	$41 15

Ithaca Class.

W W Cromwell	$13 25
G R Thatcher	1 50
Mollie Mundhenk	1 50
Dora Ossbrook	25
Versie Kaywood	25
Effie Fellers	25
Hettie Odell	10
Lizzie Fellers	25
Ed Wolf	25
Amos Shilt	1 00
Wm Nesmith	25
John Fasig	25

ITHACA—CONTINUED.

Cyrus Rynearson	$ 25
Geo Weiland	25
Earl Colville	25
Frank Fellers	25
O H Fellers	50
G C Sowers	25
E B Cromwell	25
J K Fellers, Jr	50
Harley Colville	75
P W Byers and wife	1 00
Mary Cromwell	1 50
Ida Foreman	25
Jane Ridenhour	50
Susie Weiland	50
Mrs E Pyles	10
Mrs G Niswonger	25
Abbie Caywood	25
Mary, Byron, Stanley, and Milton Dunkelberger	2 00
Susie Brenner	1 00
Rickey Nesmith	25
Annie Colville	25
Mrs M Huffer	50
Mrs John Fellers	25
Mrs L Robison	25
Allie E Bolie	25
Mary E Fellers	6 00
Grace Niswonger	10
John Pitman	10
Otto W Cromwell	1 50
David Williams	50
Jessie Clark	25
John Clark	50
Sallie Clark	25
R B Burk	50
W M Burk	25
Martha J Burk	1 00
Catharine Cloyd	50
Silvanus Odell and wife	1 75
Harry Odell	05
Roy Ammon	25
Earl Ammon	25
Katie Shepherd	1 00
Rubie Shepherd	25
Geo Fellers and wife	2 50
E T Brendenburg	25
L E Brendenburg	25
Samuel Stutz and wife	25
A Dunkelberger & wife	3 00
P Niswonger and wife	1 50
James Fellers	13 00
Milton Matchett	50
Rachel Brenbarger	50
Letha Rynearson	2 50
Sunday school	5 00
Martha Wisenbarger	25
Levi Kreeger	50
Harry Rice	25
Anna Marshall and Mary A Troxel	1 00
Julia Kreeger	25
A Niswonger and wife	1 00
Ollie Brock	25
Philip W Cromwell	50
Abdel Shilt and wife	1 00
Benj Hutton and wife	$1 00
Jas Foreman	1 00
Mrs Levi Kreeger	50
Miss Jona Kreeger	75
David Bechtol & wife	1 00
Mrs Barkus	25
Elias Colville and wife	1 00
Mary C Davis	25
Elizabeth Odell	1 00
Eva Pyles (for U B Seminary)	1 25
Mrs Ed Ammon	1 00
Earl Ammon	25
Mrs Rosseta Brock	25
Martin Pierce	25
Total	$90 45

West Sonora Class.

Peter Fauble	$5 00
Ada Singer	1 00
John Porter	50
Sam Haddox and wife	1 00
David Brown	25
A Huddle and wife	2 00
Wm Shields and wife	2 75
A friend	2 00
Elizabeth Surface	1 00
Nannie Shields	10
Roy Shields	10
Delia Shields	10
Bessie Minnick	60
Katie Minnick	25
Anna Brown	50
Ester Maeder	25
Maggie Fauble	1 00
Mollie Rookstool	25
Cynthia Rice	25
Dollie Brown	25
Mrs L Brown	10
Lovina Brown	10
Mollie Hopner	50
Mrs B Maeder	25
Mrs E Smith	25
Geo Lock	10
Mollie Heime	10
C W Recker	50
D Haddox and wife	50
Sunday school	3 00
John Wilhelm	25
Augustus Fauble	1 00
Freda Fauble	25
Clara Lightcap	1 00
Chas E Lightcap	50
Collection	80
Bert Wertz	25
Rosie Lock	10
Winton Singer	25
Anna Niswonger	25
Margaret Niswonger	25
Geo Fauble	25
Wm Conneheigh	25
Total	$29 95

Baltimore Class.

Mary Gaskill	$1 25
W F Aikman	1 00
Albert McGrew	50
Sarah Aikman	1 00
Edna Weidner	10
Nora Emerick	10
Mary Hoff	10
Kate Flommersfell	10
Phœbe Holtzinger	50
Hattie McGrew	25
Mrs H Gillespie	50
Minnie Kalter	10
Maud McGrew	20
Chas Burris and wife	3 00
Nora Gault	25
Ida Bauman	1 00
Jennie Brown	1 00
Ida Huff	25
John Albright	25
John Burris	1 00
Allen Albright	25
John Thomas	25
Arthur McGrew	50
Jacob Hoff	1 00
Henry Gillespie	50
Chas Pitsenbarger	25
Clarence Shank	25
A F Albright and wife	3 00
Charlton Gaskill	50
Kate Frees	10
Wm Gaskill	1 00
Sarah Brown	1 00
Belle Hook	25
Kate Eberley	25
Phil Huffman	25
Dora Frees	50
Chas and Ivy Hutton	50
John Ashbaugh	50
Rosie Miller	25
Emma Miller	25
Daisy Hoff	05
Wm Idle and wife	75
Allie Smalley	20
Emma Raser	25
Jacob Bauman	50
Chas Etzler	25
Wm Shields	50
Wm Vaughn	50
Paul Kalter	1 00
Libbie Shank	50
Rosie Funk	25
Tom Duncan	25
Cora Leas	10
Daisy Todd	10
Emma Snorf	50
Henry Wright & wife	1 00
Dr Christian	50
Martha Snorf	1 00
Sunday school	5 00
Collection	3 35
Total	$40 35
Grand total	$201 90

MT. ZION—F. H. Bohn, Pastor.

Calvary Class.

J W Ashbaugh & wife..	$3 00
Roy Ashbaugh	1 00
Charles Ashbaugh	1 00
Charles Rugle	2 00
George Hittle	1 00
Mollie Hittle	1 00
Elbert Evinger & wife	1 00
J W Jordan	1 00
W A Bunger & wife	50
Lydia Eley	50
George Eley	50
Carl Hittle	25
Alexander Niswonger	25
Hester Smith	25
Jemima Jordan	25
Christina Hittle	50
Della Eley	10
Eliza Chrismer	25
Children's Day collection	1 00
Sabbath school	88
Total	$16 23

Castine Class.

Geo Fauble	$6 00
Wm Fauble	3 00
Henry Grubbs	2 00
Catharine Fauble	1 50
A Leas and wife	1 50
Nancy Voris	1 05
B G Good	1 25
Elizabeth Horine	1 00
Mrs E A Wolverton	$1 00
G W Byers	1 00
Sarah McGriff	75
John Shaffner	75
J W Cromwell	50
Maggie Grubbs	50
P W Byers	50
Geo Shaffner	50
Dr O P Wolverton	50
Luella Cromwell	25
Sadie Grubbs	25
John W Trump	25
Charles Fauble	10
Junior Y P S C E	5 00
Sabbath school	90
Total	$30 05

Caylor Chapel.

Daniel Sharp	$5 00
F H Bohn and wife	5 00
Edward Hansbarger	2 00
Jacob Fourman	1 00
Wm B Dilk	1 00
Mary Dilk	1 00
Geo Baker	1 00
J H Vance	1 00
Harry Vance	1 00
E S Townsend	1 00
S F Thompson	1 00
Mary C Thompson	1 00
Adam Briney	1 00
Isaac Alread	1 00
J F Reichard	1 00
David Fourman	$1 00
Nettie Sharp	50
L D Finney	50
Amanda Hapner	50
Mary Baker	50
Isaac Unger	50
Sarah E Fourman	50
W H Fritz	50
Lazarus Fourman	50
Gilbert Vanatta	50
Maria Albright	50
Elva Sharp	25
Mary Vance	25
Lucy Livingston	25
C J Burke	25
Viola Sharp	25
Susanna Unger	25
Sarah Unger	25
Ann R Livingston	25
Orpha L Dilk	15
Arthur Sharp	10
Verna Reichard	10
Harry Reichard	05
Total	$32 40

Mt. Zion Class.

E H Boomershine	1 00
Vina Boomershine	1 00
C S Albright	50
Total	$2 50
Grand total	$81 18

SALEM CIRCUIT—G. W. Hamilton, Pastor.

Brookville Class.

Warren McNelly	$5 00
G W Hamilton	5 00
Emma Mundhenk	3 00
Sarah McNelly	2 00
Elizabeth Hamilton	2 00
Laura Millikin (foreign)	5 00
Luther Bryant	1 00
Minerva Bryant	1 00
Forest Bryant	1 00
Willie Bryant	1 00
E P Rollman	1 00
Sarah Baker	1 00
Ella Hamilton	1 00
Walter Hamilton	1 00
Jessie Hamilton	1 00
G Oscar Hamilton	1 00
Aaron Somers (foreign)	1 00
Jesse A Binkley	1 00
Mary A Riley	1 00
Mary Newshawg	50
C W Mundhenk	50
Harland Riley	50
Ephriam Somers	50
James Snyder	50
Rosa Wells	50
Mary Conner	50
Ora Spitler	50
Warren Spitler	50
Levi Stover	$ 50
Laura Cotterman	50
Allen Somers	25
Kate Spitler	25
Ada Stover	25
Alva Piatt	25
A friend	15
C W Brandt	50
Clyde Finefrock	25
Amanda Brandt	25
Simon Somers	50
Total	$43 15

Arlington Class.

Martha Sparks	$1 00
Nettie Share	1 00
Lizzie Whipp	1 00
Andrew Stover	1 00
Samuel Hammel	1 00
Henry Wogoman	1 00
Arlington S S	1 16
Lizzie Manning	50
Francis Manning	50
Henry Mishler	50
Cassie Baker	50
Clara Howard	50
A friend	50
Simon Share	50
Frank Share	$ 25
Ella Share	25
Edith Share	15
Effie Share	10
David McAffee	25
Hugh Furgeson	25
Mary Schaffer	25
Charles Whipp	1 00
Total	$13 16

Phillipsburg Class.

Wm Worman	$1 00
James Howard	1 00
Sylvania Bousman	1 00
Eunice Duckwall	1 00
Jennie Campbell	50
Belle Howard	50
Secelia Hook	50
Mary A Ullery	50
Daniel Binkley	50
Ira Spitler	50
W A Binkley	50
Hettie Binkley	50
S H Binkley	50
Nathaniel Ullery	75
John Meyer	50
Jesse Swank	50
Jesse Arnold	50

SALEM CIRCUIT—Continued.

Herbert Ullery	$ 50
Ira Ullery	50
Esther Johns	50
Total	$12 25

Salem Class.

Dr G W Hous	$1 00
Wm Wetsel	1 00
Sarah Swank	1 00
Mary Pumphry	1 00
Newton Binkley	1 00
Melissa Price	$ 50
Mary Wetsel	50
Nannie Hous	50
Jacob Schiek	50
Cornelius Troxell	50
Samuel Lambert	50
Luella Gable	25
Cora Clappert	25
Bertha Weaver	20
Kumler Smith	20
Mary Smith	20
Wm Evans	20
S E Pauly	10
Lizzie Maphis	$ 10
Edna Maphis	10
E Berlin Hous	10
Eliza Hall	10
Nellie Hous	10
Barbara Weaver	10
Herbert Cook	03
Roxana Cook	03
Total	$10 06
Grand total	$78 62
Thank-offering	10 00
Woman's missions	70 00

SPRINGFIELD—G. W. Arnold, Pastor.

Sunday school	$26 46
G W Arnold and wife	8 00
G P Raup and wife	5 00
Junior C E	5 00
W C Gordon and wife	2 00
A H Tavenner and wife	2 00
Maggie Young	2 00
J W Miller and wife	2 00
W H Berger	2 00
Wm Shook and wife	1 50
O M Reed	1 50
Margaret Shook	1 25
Wm Groves	1 25
T J Fisher and wife	1 00
Thos J Crawford	1 00
P F Mann	1 00
J Z Wells	1 00
F R Wells	1 00
H W Arnold	1 00
Irvin Lawrance	1 00
Byron Riffle	1 00
Jas Conover and wife	1 00
Emma Patterson	1 00
Mrs Wm Mowatt	1 00
Maggie Mowatt	1 00
D C Lawrance	1 00
Lizzie Reed	1 00
Alice Fox	1 00
R Collins and wife	1 00
V G Kershner	1 00
Maggie Dersch	1 00
Court Conover & wife	1 00
W C Miller	1 00
Fred Ledale	$1 00
Joel Little and wife	1 00
R C Nelson and wife	1 00
Caroline Church	1 00
Geo Eberle	1 00
Wm Regan	65
Alice Salesman	50
Nettie Conover	50
Hettie King	50
M J Crawford	50
Cora Conover	50
Maria Lawrance	50
J W Ross	50
Sudie Groves	50
Eliza Petigrew	50
Ollie Haley	50
Margaret Dersch	50
Clarence C Dye	50
Maude Mann	50
Nellie O'Donald	50
Susan Walton	50
Lydia Cook	50
Melissa Mitchell	50
Harry Mitchell	50
W B Locke	50
E F Fry	50
Ralph Wells	25
Ellen Eberle	25
Susan Eberle	25
Tabitha Riffle	25
Jane Riffle	25
Matilda McBride	25
Maggie Mulhern	25
Sarah E Jones	$ 25
Ananias Conover	25
Esther Sneed	25
Lizzie Hefflebower	25
Addie Conover	25
C W Morrison	25
Mrs C W Morrison	15
Elizabeth Schleigh	18
Clifford Groves	10
Addie Morrison	10
Elizabeth Tanger	10
C A Baldwin	10
Gleaners' Band—	
Ruth Arnold	1 00
Lottie Brant	30
Raymond Izor	21
Rosa Dersch	05
Dotty Lohrer	05
Hazel Gordon	40
Mabel Kelley	35
Lula Noble	05
Ada Grove	05
Ruth Wells	30
Mabel Wells	10
Roscoe Wells	10
Roy Reed	15
Robert Tavenner	20
Harold Tavenner	05
Fannie Miller	05
Church-erection collection	13 00
Grand total	$116 00

UNION CITY—H. A. Sechrist, Pastor.

Hill Grove Class.

Amanda Morrison	$2 00
J N Morrison	1 00
Mae Morrison	1 00
Ella Morrison	1 00
Milo Barr	1 00
Henry Longenecker	1 00
E D Willis	75
E H Miller	50
Wm G Weidman	50
R Eyer	25
J Fentz	25
J C Reiling	25
Geo Morrison	25
T C Wasson	25
Philip Wise	$ 25
Susan Wasson	25
Ida Ault	25
F E Eyer	15
Caroline Weidman	10
Barbara Eyer	10
C E Longenecker	50
Sabbath school	3 05
Total	$14 65

Union City Class.

H A Sechrist and wife	$9 00
Geo Lambert & wife	5 00
Wert Williams	2 00
Lucy A Mackey	$2 00
Ariel Pickett	2 05
May Zumbrum	1 00
John F Judy	1 00
B H Reed	1 00
Turah LaFever	1 00
Belle Mitchell	1 00
Mina Bennett	1 00
William Wolf	1 00
Collection	1 00
Home Band	1 00
Sarah Mitchell	50
W I Underwood	50
Sadie Swortwood	50
Lillie Earl	50
Linda Adkins	50

UNION CITY—Continued.

Mamie Suma	$ 50
Hattie Dwinell	50
Mary Staudt	50
Wm Beachlor	40
Anna Biddle	25
Anna Suma	25
Eliza Ault	25
Russel Bennett	25
Maudie Sherrett	25
Lloyd LaFever	25
Mary S Sechrist	25
Rebecca Warwick	25
Nora French	15
Mabel French	15
Ivan D Sechrist	15
Mattie Spitler	10
G A Sechrist	10
Sabbath School	3 05
Nora French	25
Total	$39 40

Waterhouse Class.

O E Young and wife	$5 00
S C Detamore	5 00
S H Detamore	5 00
Benj McCarter & wife	5 00
Priscilla Spitler	3 00
W A Arnold	3 00
Samuel Frank	3 00
G A Detamore & wife	3 00
J E Detamore	2 00
M F Oliver	2 00
G F Parent	2 00
Eva Armstrong	1 50
S S Staudt	1 50
Ira Staudt	1 50
Zach Woods	1 50
Cale Reese	1 00
E M Armstrong	1 00
P V Bayless	1 00
G A Wahl	1 00
Fred Livingston	$1 00
Flora Frank	75
Christina Livingston	50
W H Oliver	50
Mary Arnold	50
Lovina Staudt	50
John W Armstrong	50
Jennie Creager	50
Myrtle Creager	50
Christina Wahl	50
Lorenz Wahl	50
Samuel Staudt	25
Earl Staudt	25
Myrtle Staudt	25
Silva Staudt	25
Mary Wisner	25
Sabbath school	3 05
Total	$58 55
Grand total	$112 60

VANDALIA—S. M. Hippard, Pastor.

Vandalia Class.

M C Miller and wife	$26 00
Sella Coover	10 00
Harry Wells and wife	10 00
J Wenger and wife	5 00
Y P S C E (Japan)	5 00
Sunday school	4 67
David Lipman & wife	4 00
Joseph Kramer & wife	3 00
Howard Brentlinger	2 50
E W Waymire & wife	2 00
Geo Shoup and wife	2 00
John Trupp	2 00
Amos Coover and wife	1 90
Laura Wells	1 25
Frank Jordan	1 25
M Bennert	1 50
S Dodson and wife	1 50
Harris Hutchins	1 50
Jennie Seabrook	1 00
L A Bennert and wife	1 00
Nancy Sunderland	1 00
Henry Harnish	1 00
Emeline Trupp	1 00
Ed Kline	1 00
E O Rankin	1 00
Bessie Coate	1 00
Maggie Robinson	1 00
Hettie Crider	1 00
Sarah Bennert	1 00
Wm Wells	1 00
Korah Sunderland	1 00
Perry Allaman	1 00
H H Cassel	1 00
Chas Wells	75
Adam Reuss	50
Hannah Hickman	50
Ethel Westerman	50
Fannie Westerman	50
Elmer Shoup	$ 50
Scott Fry	50
Lydia Rhinehart	50
Rebecca Baker	50
Eve Coover	50
Dawes Bennert	50
Mary Strong	50
Rebecca Koogler	50
Ed Cotterman & wife	50
Laura Reuss	25
Sarah Altamer	25
Addie Ruby	25
Fidella Coover	25
Anna Coover	25
Daisy Harnish	25
Emma Wenger	25
Wm Coulthard	25
Emma Coulthard	25
W H Altamer	25
Ida Allaman	25
S S Sunderland	10
Collection	1 85
Special church erection	76 00
Woman's missions	77 57
Total	$265 59

Beardshear Class.

Mahala Ensley	$6 00
Andrew Parsons	2 25
Elizabeth Beardshear	2 00
A Hixon	2 00
Wm Smith	1 50
O P Swartzel	1 25
Lucinda Hale	1 25
S M Hippard	1 78
Cora Middlestetter	1 00
Rilla Beardshear	1 00
Joseph Parsons	$1 00
E B Lodge	1 00
Matilda Clark	1 00
Brant Clark	1 00
Chas Busche	1 00
Y P S C E	1 00
O McElfresh	75
Milo Fallis	75
W E Booher	75
Clara Stout	50
Sarah Booher	50
Harry Hale	50
Lillie Hagan	50
Nancy Bell	30
Ethel Smith	25
J G Smith	25
O P Neff	25
Jesse Hartman	05
Sunday school	2 78
Collection	1 36
Special for church erection	5 50
Total	$41 02

Ginghamsburg Class.

Adam Underwood	$5 50
Y P S C E	3 00
John Ehrhart	2 00
Etta Beesom	1 25
R M Evans	1 00
Claude Koogler	75
Letta Barnhart	50
Hannah Koogler	50
Collection	1 67
Total	$16 17
Grand total	$322 78

CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

BEAVERTOWN—J. M. Replogle, Pastor.

Sunday school, for missions	$70 00
Woman's missions	5 00
Collected for the conference assessments	82 00
Total	$157 00

CHERRY GROVE—G. T. Powell, Pastor.

Five Mile Class.

S W Markley	$20 00
W H Markley	13 00
Mrs S W Markley	5 00
Tabitha Ayers	5 00
Joseph Jackson	3 00
C J Strauss	3 00
Chas Mathews	2 50
Etta Jackson	2 00
John J Bridges	2 00
Wm Strauss	1 25
Nellie Reid	1 00
S C Markley	1 00
P T McQuaine	1 00
Stanley M McQuaine	1 00
R C Ayers	1 00
G F Ayers	1 00
W H Prickett	1 00
Lizzie J Bridges	1 00
Mattie J Mathews	1 00
Mrs Barbara Wrath	1 00
Wm P Welsh	1 00
J W Ayers	1 00
Ida M Ayers	1 00
E L Buchanan	1 00
J G Raber	1 00
Rose Raber	1 00
R Mudersbach	1 00
Addie Clark	1 00
Henry Mudersbach	1 00
Katie Jackson	50
Willie Jackson	50
Lizzie C McQuaine	50
Wilbur Mathews	50
Harry Mathews	50
Cassie L Welsh	50
Cora L Prickett	50
Wm Mudersbach	50
Robert Longenbach	50
Herman Friensdorf	50
Mary M Shipler	50
Mrs B F Friensdorf	50
Caroline Markley	50
Louisa Mathews	50
Wm Gloystien	50
Bertha Shipler	50
Mrs Elizabeth Strauss	50
Lizzie Strauss	50
Jacob Vogel	50
Leslie Clark	50
Victoria Heninger	$ 50
Gertie Jackson	25
Earl Jackson	25
Alma Raber	25
Emma Raber	25
Clara Mudersbach	25
Mrs Carrie Mudersbach	25
Henry J Jones	25
Geo Walter	25
Lina Ayers	25
Ollie Ayers	25
Wm Peters	25
Chas Walters	25
Hannah Mudersbach	25
Katy Friensdorf	10
Minnie Friensdorf	10
Lulu Friensdorf	10
Elnora Friensdorf	10

Cherry Grove Class.

Ferd Reid	$6 00
J O Johnson	3 00
J D Reid	3 00
Rachel B Sheldon	2 50
C P Bennett	2 00
Clifford Reid	2 00
E E Johnson	2 00
John Hesse	2 00
William Holmes	2 00
Nancy J Reid	1 00
Isabel Reid	1 00
W A Maddux	1 00
Jacob Wag	1 00
D Sheldon	1 00
Anna Sheldon	1 00
Mary Belle Hammer	1 00
Wm H Whitney	1 00
Frank Van Saun	1 00
Anna Van Saun	1 00
Philip Lah	1 00
Cora Reid	1 00
W H Maddux	1 00
Edward S Lorenz	1 00
J K Markley	1 00
Charles H Hopper	1 00
M D Markley	1 00
Isaiah Johnson	1 00
Philip Heil	1 00
A I Jones	1 00
Susie Jones	$1 00
Owen Bennett	1 90
Joseph Mathews	1 00
Mrs F H Delbridge	1 00
Webster Johnson	1 00
T S Vaile	50
Effie B Powell	50
Malinda Markley	50
Catharine M Hopper	50
Lizzie Hopper	50
W E Maddux	50
Claude Courtney	50
Ethel Markley	50
Alice Maddux	50
Harry H Maddux	50
J P Bennett	50
Alice Bennett	50
E C Nordyke	50
Phebe Johnson	50
George Heil	50
Lizzie Schmidt	50
John Gleis	50
S W Jones	50
Sarah E Welsh	50
Myrtle Nordyke	50
Ella John	25
Harley Markley	25
Johnson Markley	25
Rosa Hammer	25
Faye Maddux	25
Jennie Van Saun	25
Mattie Van Saun	25
J H Shannon	25
Ethel Hopper	25
Cynthia Llwellin	25
Flora Bennett	25
Orrill Bennett	25
Bessie L Bennett	25
Mamie E Cline	25
Iva Bennett	25
Irene Reid	25
Lena Latham	25
Dona Heil	25
Bertha Heil	25
J C Nordyke	25
Ebenezer Maddux	25
David Stewart	25
G W Powell	1 00
Infant Class	3 00
Y P C U special to Los Angeles	6 15

CHERRY GROVE—Continued.

Pleasant Valley Class.

Sarah L Hesse	$3 00
Geo T Powell	2 00
Carrie Arthur	2 00
Sylvester McLane	1 00
Hila A McLane	1 00
J E Parvin	1 00
Morris Johns	1 00
Susanna Johns	$1 00
Hattie Banford	50
Minnie Cronin	50
Jeremiah McDonough	25
Florence E Johnson	25
Ivory Shelton	25
A W Parvin	25
Leslie Johns	25
Gladys Banford	10
Children's Day collection	$2 05
Total for Five Mile	$90 00
Total for Cherry Grove	75 15
Total for Pleasant Valley	17 00
Grand total	$182 15

COLERAIN CIRCUIT—G. T. Griscel, Pastor.

Bevis Class.

Minerva Willey	$43 00
D A Bevis and wife	5 30
A J Thompson & wife	5 00
G T Griscel and wife	10 40
G W Bosserman	2 00
Mrs David Schiering	1 00
Alexander Grable	50
William Grable	25
Albert Taylor	25
Orville Sater	25
Luella Sater	25
Mrs G W Mathews	25
Jaroda Hammel	10
Pyramids—	
Charles A Bosserman	6 00
Roland G Bevis	1 13
Carrie Schiering	65
Eva Davis	55
Anna Davis	50
C Fisher	13
Emma Mathews	10
Milton W Griscel	25
Ruth G Griscel	25
Total	$78 11

Mt. Airy Class.

Clara Haisley	$2 00
May Haisley	1 00
Mrs Haisley	1 00
Henry Lingo	1 00
James Jamison, Sr	1 00
Mrs Maggie Jamison	1 00
Wm S Norris	1 00
Mrs Hattie Norris	1 00
John J Myers	1 00
Mrs D Myers	$1 00
Fannie McCane	1 00
Mrs N Shepherd	1 00
Joseph Lingo	1 00
Wm Henn	50
Edwin Jamison	50
John Jamison	50
Emma Myers	50
Tillie Myers	50
Charles Lingo	50
Jas Jamison, Jr	30
Louis Myers	25
Ed Herbert	25
Wm Sevester	25
Public collection	2 27
Pyramids—	
George W Pansiera	55
Maud Pansiera	50
Susie Lingo	50
Theodore Henn	40
Florence Carter	31
Eddie Myers	27
Robert Sevester	25
Callie Myers	22
Nettie Haisley	20
Total	$23 52

Georgetown Class.

Emma J Klemm	$1 50
Mary Struble	1 00
Fannie Struble	50
Stella Struble	50
Mrs Clara Benzing	50
E A Nelson	50
Samuel Pickens	50
Mrs I Schiering	50
J G Keeling	25
Christian Stephens	25
Pyramids—	
Blanche Thompson	$ 51
Susie Thompson	50
Harleh Pickens	38
Willie Siegle	18
Total	$7 57

Miami Class.

Mrs J Harrison	$1 00
James Cooper	25
Silas Hathaway	25
John Plew	25
Mrs C Potter	10
Pyramid—	
Mary Willey	26
Total	$2 11

Bethel Class.

Sarah Willey	$1 00
George Pouder,	1 00
John Jackson	50
Permenas Davis	35
Pyramids—	
Anna Hess	5 45
Mary Hussel	1 10
Paulena Hussel	1 00
Carrie Hussel	60
Minnie Gaiser	38
Mary Ponder	25
G C Collier	06
Total	$11 69

Grand total $123 00

EATON MISSION—C. W. Kurtz, Pastor.

Y P C U	$10 00
Sabbath school	2 80
Mrs Sarah Ramsey (Home)	2 50
Mr J Ramsey	2 00
Mrs Poffenberger	25
Mary Poffenberger	25
Etta Odle	1 00
Mrs Odle	50
Mr Plummer & wife	2 00
Mrs Mencer	1 00
Mrs House	25
Dora House	$ 25
Mrs Cotterman	1 00
Mrs Guild	1 00
Mary Guild	25
Walter Guild	50
Wm Deem	1 00
Mrs Wm Deem	50
Mrs Ryan	25
Mrs Tobey	1 00
Mrs Sherer	10
Dan Deem and wife	1 50
Marcus Deem	1 00
Rev S Huddle & wife	$4 00
Miss Browning	1 00
James Weir and wife	1 00
C A Kerns and wife	1 50
Albert Kerns	1 00
Mrs James Sherer	1 00
Mary Weidner	1 00
Aaron Weidner	50
Mrs J Weidner	50
Ezra Smith and wife	2 00
Fay Smith	25
Frank Smith	25

EATON MISSION—Continued.

Abraham Smith and family	$1 05
Wert Deem and wife	1 00
W S Clayton	1 00
Ellen McLaughlin	25
Zoa Barklow	50
Anna Homan	25
Mary Young	15
Mrs Hemp	25
Mr Hemp	25
E Cockeril	50
Frank Homan	$ 25
Mrs Harshman	25
Mrs White	10
Oscar Griffis	50
Cash	25
Andrew Sherer	50
C W Kurtz and wife	2 25
Mrs J Souer	50
Anna Souer	25
Myrtle Souer	25
James Noakes	$1 00
Clara Hoops	50
J E Homan	1 00
Mrs Cook	50
Stephen Overholser	50
Everitt Poffenberger	1 00
R B Whitsel	25
Cash	1 10
Total	$61 00

GERMANTOWN—J. G. Huber, Pastor.

Joseph Shank	$20 00
Philip Hemp	5 00
A L Gilbert	1 00
A Harp	4 00
Rezen Shaeffer	25
Mary Shaeffer	35
Julia Pfolsgroft	50
Harry Pfolsgroft	25
Amberina Shupert	2 00
Anna Shupert	1 00
Samuel Judy	10 00
Elizabeth Judy	2 50
P E Coffman	1 25
Lona Scott	25
Anna Weisel	50
C J Burkert	8 00
Martin Coffman	4 00
C H Gilbert	10 00
John Heitz	2 00
Wm A Kline	1 00
Geo Baer	1 00
Maggie Grubbs	25
Marie Shank	6 00
W D Emrick	13 00
Wilson Rice	75
Geo Zeller	10 00
Sarah Thomas	5 00
Russel Henry	75
A D Miller	50
John C Mayne	2 00
Mary J Warwick	25
Jennie Kline	50
Adda Kern	35
Ida Bausman	50
Mother Bausman	50
Eliza Van Shoick	25
Lydia Switzer	25
Harry Barnet	50
Mary Zeller	5 50
Wm Zeller	11 00
D P Emrick	3 00
Belle Oblinger	7 00
Josie Oblinger	1 00
Clara Oblinger	1 00
Hugh D Oblinger	$4 00
H W Mumma	2 00
John Eckhart	50
D P Swartzel	50
E Lantis	50
Rosanna Becker	25
A D Carney	1 00
Mary Carney	75
Mollie Smith	25
W F Miller	50
Laura Gilbert	1 00
Ida Hetzler	1 00
Ella Beam	35
Mrs Friedline	50
Arthur Swartzel	50
Mary Micheal	1 00
Ida Micheal	50
Myrtle Replogle	40
Amanda Spring	1 00
Lizzie Kern	25
Edith Kern	10
Beatrice Shaeffer	50
Maud Fudge	25
Sylvester Smith	2 50
S P Shank	9 00
A K Burtner	10 00
A W Hetzler & sisters	4 75
Samuel Zechar	1 00
Mary Sizer	50
Emma M Weaver	50
Leah Swartzel	75
Mother Swartzel	25
John Reiger	1 00
Florence Coleman	50
Frank Swihart	75
Maud Dechant	50
Chas Wise	50
Lillie Becker	50
Mrs L Long	50
Jane Bruchie	25
Victoria Razor	50
Charlie Razor	25
Mary Huber	75
Rachel Hemp	$1 00
Layton Kemp	1 00
Laura Shaffer	1 00
S M Heitz	75
Nora Emrick	50
Roscoe Miller	50
John Greiner	25
Mary Zehring	25
Ida Swain	50
Malon Emrick	50
A Argenbright	50
E A Stonebrecher	50
John Lantis	50
Mary Cotterman	2 00
Amanda Cotterman	1 00
John G Miller	1 00
Maud Bailey	25
Marie L Brown	3 50
John A Shank	10 00
Alice Z Garrison	1 00
Mary E Emrick	50
Charles Swartzel	25
Isaiah Swartzel	1 50
Laura Swartzel	1 00
Adda Zeller	2 00
A Z Kemp	3 00
Maggie Kemp	1 00
Ezra Kemp	5 00
Sarah Kemp	2 00
Maria Shaffer	1 00
Henry Crander	1 00
Lillie Crander	25
Minnie Martin	25
Kate Taylor	25
Julia Selby	50
John Zechar	50
David Huber	50
Laura Waymire	1 00
J L Swain	5 00
J G Huber	8 00
Sunday school	22 65
Total	$282 00

HARRISON MISSION—W. R. Houlton, Pastor.

Harrison Class.	
W R Houlton & wife	$6 50
J McClure	1 00
H Kolb	1 25
J McKee	2 00
C Ashby	1 00
J Mortershed	$1 00
P Inspreker	2 00
L Gimpel	2 00
C E Scott	1 50
Cliff Coy	1 50
Marshall Brann	1 00
Mrs Bevis	$3 00
C Coulthard	50
J Brehm	50
Vena Coy	25
Total	$25 00

HARRISON MISSION—Continued.

Zion Class.

Wm Doty and wife	$5 00
M M Hayes and wife	2 00
J C Markland & wife	5 50
D Hague	1 50
Mrs Springmyer	2 00
Orvelle Hayes	1 00
John Miller	1 50
H Hague	3 00
F Fisher	1 00
R S Hayes	1 00
R B McGee	1 00
Lulu Flinchpaugh	1 00
Susan Howard	75
S Howard	25
Ollie Howard	25
Mrs L Markland	50
Joanna Newlan	25
Mattie McGee	25
C Hague	20
S McGee	25
F Hayes	15
W J Roberts	25
Edith McGee	05
I Ingersol	1 00
Everett Rudisell & wife	$2 00
Thomas Lucas	1 00
May Doty	25
Ralph Markland	10
R Moreland	25
F Schlensker	25
Total	$33 75

Rockdale Class.

H Watkins	$2 00
M Cameran	1 00
J B Donoyh	1 00
H J Stokes	75
G C Stokes	40
Wm Kleman	30
M J Stokes	25
E E Stokes	10
R Higgs	10
R Raser	25
Mrs Sumerfield	35
Mattie Otto	50
Alice Watkins	50
Mrs Stokes	20
Mrs Meyer	25
L Cann	$ 10
Geo Meyer	25
I Doty	25
H Otto	25
Sunday school, for missions	1 10
D Goble	50
L Stokes	05
C Stokes	05
J Doty	1 00
Elmina Stokes	25
Stella Stokes	25
Ida Stokes	25
Lizzie Smith	25
Mrs Kleman	10
Miss Kleman	20
Minnie Kirk	10
Anna Kirk	10
Mrs Moffett	50
George Hillman	25
Total	$13 75
Total for missions	$40 00
For minor collections	34 00
Grand total	$74 00

LEWISBURG CIRCUIT—W. C. Niswonger, Pastor.

Antioch Class.

Sunday school	$17 72
Charles McNelly	5 00
A H Harman	5 00
Susan Shank	5 00
Henry Shank	5 00
Allen Burkert	5 00
Ardella Long	5 00
G Wideman	4 00
David Burkert	4 50
Elizabeth Burkert	3 00
Alonzo Burkert	2 00
Frederick Steckly	2 00
Rilla Wagner	2 00
Wm Wagner	2 00
Dora Steckly	1 00
Catharine McNelly	1 00
John Clayton	1 00
Joshua Fryman	1 00
C H Snyder and wife	1 00
D Fryman	1 00
Mrs John McNelly	30
John McNelly	50
Mrs Amanda Steck	50
George B Steck	1 00
E F Landis	1 00
Emma Wideman	25
Amanda Wideman	25
S S Croy	25
Barbara Wideman	1 00
Samuel Long	2 00
Isabelle Troutman	15
Eliza Clayton	50
Daisy Fryman	50
Mary Wilson	15
Willis Fryman	50
Gracie Hite	25
Charles Weaver	05
Mattie Troxel	$ 25
Edgar Fryman	20
Charles Grove	50
Lizzie Hern	50
Charlie Hern	25
Agnes Fryman	10
Minnie Wilson	10
Manda Lunake	50
Katie Hern	25
Charlie Steck	10
Opal Steck	10
Vernon Steck	10
Walter Burkert	05
Woman's missions	72 50
Total	$158 27

Lewisburg Class.

R A Swartzel	$1 00
Margaret Swartzel	1 00
Wm Ozias	1 00
F E Etzler and wife	3 00
John Moots	50
J A Kumler	2 00
W C Niswonger & wife	10 00
Catharine Crickenbarger	1 50
Mary J Disher	5 00
Catharine Kumler	10 00
Sunday school	7 50
Kate Crickenbarger	1 00
Carrie Imes	1 00
A E May and wife	3 00
J D Trissel and wife	50
Harriet May	1 00
Jessie May	50
Jane Shively	25
S Singer and family	1 50
Kate Beam	25
Naomi Horn	$ 25
Minnie Horn	25
Mrs Loy	25
Chloe Niswonger	25
Clovis Niswonger	25
Addie May	50
Mrs Brock	25
Martha Bittle	10
Myrtie Imes	10
Viola Sherer	15
Ivy Sherer	15
Bertha Imes	10
Ralph Sherer	15
Lora Barnheisel	10
J H Sherer	10
L W Hapner	25
Carrie Detrick	25
Mary Disher	50
Sallie Shively	1 00
Lizzie Snyder	1 00
Myrtie Snyder	25
Martha Singer	25
S E Imes	10
Jennie Beam	25
Elsie Paulus	50
J H Paulus	25
George Singer	25
Fernie Hillery	10
Diana Brower	10
Victoria Hillery	10
Katie Grushong	05
Mary Turner	50
Milton Singer	25
Harry Bittle	10
Seymour Bittle	10
Mary Bittle	10
Bessie Bittle	10
Harry Sherer	10
Gertie Archer	05

LEWISBURG MISSION—CONTINUED.

Mabel Sodders	$ 05
Roy Archer	05
Mrs A Gebhart	10
May Loxley	10
Mrs L Sodders	10
Joseph Archer	05
Elsie Grushong	01
Cash	1 00
Woman's missions	22 50
Total	$84 91

Pyrmont Class.

Rebecca Mills	$1 00
Flora Mills	1 00
J V Mills	2 00
Catharine Utz	2 00
Mary King	1 00
Rachel Mundhenk (for home missions)	$1 00
Miles Hubler and wife.	2 00
Joshua Mills	1 00
Mary Mills	50
Margaret Price	25
Anna Mills	75
Mattie Mills	50
Emma Mills	25
Lizzie Wright	25
Anna Cox	25
Sunday school	1 26
Catharine Myers	1 00
Roscoe Garwood & wife	50
Anna E Garwood	10
Lucy Garwood	10
Bertha Wright	10
Sarah Probst	25
Jessie Probst	25
Caroline Wright	$ 25
Verb Lehman	10
Hattie Lehman	25
Warren Loy	15
Helen Loy	15
L E Mundhenk	25
Rachel Burkert	05
John Burkert	05
Sharky Hay	10
Mary Probst	12
Martha Probst	12
Total	$18 90
General Conference expenses	$11 00
Grand total	$273 08

LIBERTY CIRCUIT—J. E. YINGLING, Pastor.

Liberty Class.

W Michael	$6 00
E E Michael and wife.	5 00
J Gross	5 00
L C Bright	2 00
Ruanna Getter	2 00
Geo Wolf	2 00
W O Gross	2 00
Mary Heisterman	2 00
G W Brown	1 50
Albert Weaver	1 00
Geo Sager	1 00
Harvey Kline	1 00
Logan Wambold	1 00
Sunday school	2 00
Collection	1 59
Sunday school, for missions (general)	4 76
Pearl Gross	50
Carrie Gross	50
Minerva Michael	50
Sarah Becher	50
Chas Gaver	50
Roy Millman	25
Mary Eberly	25
Maud Schenck	25
D O Jackson	25
Ed Lambert	25
Clarence Sager	25
Mattie Hoffman	25
Gleaners' Band—	
Carl Bright	1 00
Mell Bright	1 11
Harvey Michael	1 00
Maudie Friedline	1 00
Gracie Watson	1 00
Bertha Gaver	1 00
Marie Jackson	1 00
Total	$51 21

Farmersville Class.

Mrs S G Swartzel	$7 00
D E Heisey	6 00
H Cotterman	$2 30
J W Kline	1 00
G W Kurtz	1 00
Belle Cummings	1 00
Anna Moyer	50
L Kurtz	50
F B McFarland	50
Sherman Mills	50
Joseph Staver	50
Leonard Ott	50
Mary Tondorf	50
Anna King	50
Nora Smith	25
L Sharritt	25
Amanda Huffman	25
M Kurtz	25
G W Rawl	25
Catherine Davis	25
J Nolan	25
E M Heisey	25
F G Riegel	2 00
Mrs A L Yingling	2 57
Sunday school	1 00
Collections	1 53
Total	$31 40
Woman's Mission	22 40
Grand total	$284 02

Johnsville Class.

J Riegel	$3 00
I N Kepler	2 00
Susie Young	2 00
E Trautman	1 00
Maggie Trautman	1 00
E E Whipp	1 00
Theo Deckant	1 00
Rebecca Riegel	1 00
Elias Zehring	1 00
S T Young	1 00
J W Comer	1 00
P H Sipes	1 00
Hufford Blosser	50
Wm Shank	50
John Shank	$ 50
F E Riegel	50
J A Riegel	50
W Riegel	50
Lida Baker	25
W Wagomon	25
Isaac Kreitzer	25
J O Patterson	25
Alpha Riegel	25
J H May	25
Elsa Young	25
Altha Shank	15
Lizzie Shank	15
O Libecap	15
Carrie Libecap	15
Sunday school	2 00
Collections	2 00
Gleaners—	
Harry Riegel	1 00
Eva Patterson	1 00
Charley Kepler	10
Total	$27 45

Twin Class.

A Zehring and wife	$35 00
O F Gilbert & wife	14 00
J Michael & wife	10 00
W H Keister & wife	6 00
J Harp and wife	5 00
George Lambert and wife	4 00
F Whipp and wife	2 50
J Hartsock & wife	2 50
H Silknitter & wife	2 00
W H Kline	1 00
N E Main	1 00
O O Zehring (O U)	1 00
Perry Lambert	1 00
Eva Zehring	1 15
Charles Knox	1 00
G P Michael	1 00
Charles Michael	1 00
Flora Weaver	1 00
Samuel Stevic	50

LIBERTY CIRCUIT—Continued.

A R Green	$ 50	Collections	$2 09	Zora Silknitter	$1 07
Eva Michael	50	Gleaners—		Roy Sunday	1 00
Catherine Weaver	50	Edith Gilbert	1 00	Oscar Lambert	05
John Hazel	50	Nellie Friedline	1 01		
Mrs Bowman	50	Minnie Rexroad	1 30	Total	$104 94
Sunday school	3 00	Francis Libecap	1 27	Woman's Missions	46 62

MIAMISBURG—W. W. Rymer, Pastor.

C H Bloss	$3 00	John Kline	$ 50	Chas Long	$ 50
Wm Walters	1 00	Pastor and family	3 76	J B Cecil	25
J C Myers	5 00	Eva Welch	1 00	Emma Miller	25
W J Anderson	1 00	L J Kline	2 00	Ada Benner	25
C W Welch	1 00	Amelia Schultz	1 00	Chas Buffington	25
Mrs Harriet Zimmerman	1 00	Lee Steger	25	Sunday school	5 00
Harvey Allen	50	W R Hughes	50	Mary C Bloss	50
Laura Spring	3 00	Leona Derr	50	D Welch	25
D P Hoffert	50	E Morter	25	Elmer Girard	50
Harvey Landis	50	Deborah Oeden	1 00	Carl Oeden	1 00
John Jones	50	Nellie Oeden	25	O A Denlinger	1 00
Wm Burns	50	Jane Kline	25	Luella Myers	50
Chas Allen	50	Anna Fornshell	1 00	Etta Derr	
Etta Bloss	25	Viola Allen	50	Enough from church directory and other sources to make	$75 00
Matilda Dill	1 50	Mary Kline	1 00		
Jennie Horn	1 00	Chas Hughes	1 00		
		P Broderic	50		

MIDDLETOWN—E. W. Bowers, Pastor.

John Keister	$0 50	Sabbath school	$10 00	Nella Bunnell	$ 75
Chas Smith	1 00	Dora Bowers	10 00	Zoe Munger	2 00
Clara Zimmerman	1 00	Ethel Bowers	50	H Burtis	11
Clara Hill	1 00	Otterbein Bowers	25	Stanley Munger	1 10
Geo H Denman	1 00	Anna Huffman	1 00	Artey King	1 03
Julius Singer	50	Rosa Hugert	50	Rosa Badger	40
David Monger	2 00	Phineas Urton	50	Helen Fouts	2 00
C E Morris	50	C C Fouts and family	5 00	DeWitt Davis	31
Katie Huffman	1 00	Samuel Cox & family	4 00	Roy and Esther Sloan	05
John Rubush	50	William Hursh	1 00	S E Bunnell	1 00
Joseph Babington	25	Ethel Babington	05	W H Davis	1 00
Bessie Babington	25	Carrie Babington	05	O E King	50
Junior Christian Endeavor	8 00	Stanley Munger	05	A friend	3 25
		Zoe Munger	10		

MILLVILLE—W. L. Bunger, Pastor.

J Goldsmith & family	$2 00	Albert Mosier	$ 50	Jennie Price	$1 00
Lou Goldsmith	1 00	Mrs Mitchel	25	Amzie Sipe	1 00
S K Goldsmith	1 00	Clara Lyle	20	Katie Sipe	1 00
J R Black	1 50	Collection	7 76	Ella Spouglebury	1 00
B T Kumler	1 00	Junior C E	2 50	Mary Minton	1 00
Harvey Minton	1 00	Collected on cards—		Harry and Maude Flenner	1 00
Mamie Remp	50	Hazel Minton	1 00	Frank Whitaker	52
Martin Remp	25	Mattie Dick	1 00	Ollie Remp	30
Annie Shuler	60	Roscoe Sipe	1 00		
Mrs Sipe	50				

MILTONVILLE CIRCUIT—I. M. Walker, Pastor.

Miltonville Class.					
		John Kerns	$ 50	Burt Snider	$ 50
		D W Myers	1 00	Harry Deitz	50
Y P S C E	$5 00	Clayton Deitz	1 00	Anna Deitz	50
Horace Johns	1 00	Phœbe Good	25	Minnie Deitz	25
Lucy Johns	1 00	J W Reppeto	25	Allie Good	1 00
Katharine Kerns	1 00	Philip Kuch	25	Harriet Thomas	2 00
Minnie Kerns	50	Fred Wellner	1 00	Joseph Corry	50
Thomas Kerns	2 00	Elias Daub	50	Matilda Good	5 00
Willard Kerns	50	Sarah Shurd	50	M K Baird	1 00

MILTONVILLE CIRCUIT—Continued.

J E Kumler	$1 00
Jos Kumler's heirs	2 00
Elmer Law	50
Sabbath school	1 00
Total	$32 00

Pleasant Ridge Class.

Katharine Emerick	$10 00
Mary Eck	2 50
Martin Daub	2 00
Geo S Yost	2 50
Mary Hinkle	1 00
Lizzie Yost	2 00
Elmer Myers	25
Emma Wood	5 00
Clara Wood	$1 00
Andrew Yost	1 00
Samuel Shortel	1 00
Ellen Paulen	50
W T Gardner	10 00
Total	$38 75

Union Chapel Class.

T I Hoffman	$6 00
Chas Applegate	1 00
F M Myers	2 50
J W Long	50
Malinda Schlobig	50
Katharine S Myers	2 00
Rev Daniel Myers	1 00
Wm McCarty	1 00
Chas Carney	$1 00
Daniel Carney	2 00
Chas Fouts	1 00
E L Spence	50
M A Spence	50
W H Spence	25
D L Spence	25
Joseph Fry	1 00
Walter Carney	2 00
Katharine Carney	2 00
L W Bell	1 25
Jabez Hetzler	1 00
S T Past	10 00
Total	$37 25
Grand total	$108 00

MT. HEALTHY—E. W. Symmonds, Pastor.

Mrs W Law & class	$10 00
Mrs Goreis	3 00
Dr J C Goreis	2 00
Henry Rempler	1 25
Louisa Rempler	1 00
Ida Rempler	1 00
Kate Rempler	1 00
Bertha Rempler	1 00
Thomas Asbury	1 00
Ed Skinner	1 00
Millie Smith	1 00
Teresa Markert	1 00
Emma Herier	50
Nellie Noble	50
Elizabeth Gethard	$ 50
Henry Holly	50
Alice Hunt	50
Mila Sayres	50
Ben Theders	25
Miss Harris	25
Laura Vanzant	25
A friend	14
Sunday school for missions	6 86
Frank Espach	2 00
John Kissick	2 00
Total	$39 00
Mrs John Law, for preachers' aid	$5 00
Mrs Dayton	1 00
Mrs Espach	50
A friend	12
Sunday school, in addition to $6.86 for missions	10 67
Church collections	8 71
Presiding elder	28 00
For missions	39 00
Total	$93 00

NEW HAVEN—C. Hall, Pastor.

New Haven Class.

New Haven Sunday School	$9 32
Mr and Mrs Jos Sater	8 00
A J Scott and family	6 00
C Hall and family	6 00
A L Scott and family	5 50
J L & M E Wakefield	5 50
Woman's M Society	5 00
Henry Fleizman and family	4 00
J H & Blanche Carter	3 25
Chas Van Emmon	3 00
Elizabeth A Scott	3 25
Elizabeth Bevis	2 00
Myra J Scott	1 75
Elijah Wakefield	1 75
Alex Campbell	1 75
Martha McClure	1 50
Hope Pottenger	1 25
Mary Caley	1 25
James Gwaltney and wife	1 25
Henry Hathaway and wife	1 25
Taylor Hawk & wife	1 25
Eliza A Simonson	1 25
Sophia Campbell	1 25
W G Campbell	1 25
James R McClure	1 25
Maggie Arnold	$1 00
Harriet Olive Campbell	1 00
Frank E Clark & family	1 00
Jackson Kelch & wife	1 00
Wm Knose & family	1 00
Jacob Swing & family	1 00
Mary J Seals	1 00
Richard Hawk	1 00
George Kraus	1 00
Sophia Klinck	1 00
Jennie Scott	1 00
Kate Gwaltney	1 00
James Agnew	75
Jacob G Crayton	75
Mary Kraus	75
B S McClure & wife	1 00
Pearl Slete	75
Ed Schering	60
Wilbert O Wright	75
Ed Wright	75
Blanche Wakefield	55
Leona Bevis	50
Alice Brisbin	30
Clara Cone	50
Chas Couthard	50
Clint Campbell	50
Lucy Easterbrook	50
Lucian Hawk	50
Jos C Hawk	50
Maggie Hawk	$ 50
Annie E Myers	50
Susie Knose	50
Mary J Oyler	50
Chas E Starlin	50
Mary Simonson	50
Thomas Scudder	40
Amelia Schering	50
John R Williamson	50
Mina Wakefield	50
Robt White	50
Thomas Wright	50
Chas R Campbell	50
Chas W Gwaltney	50
Valentine Schardine	50
Annie and Alice Couthard	50
Ed Cleaver	25
Maggie Foltz	25
Ella McHenry	25
Elizabeth Pottenger	25
Dora and Anna Simonson	50
Amy Wright	25
Ella Simonson	25
Anna Wright	15
Wm McClure	08
W H Cleaver	05
Pearl Bevis	1 00
George Radcliff	1 00
J Cook	1 00

NEW HAVEN—Continued.

Isaac Scott	$1 00
Wilber Drake	1 00
J T Starlin	1 00
Lina Starlin	50
J L Smith	75
C D Bevis	50
J C Bevis	50
Adam Massett	50
Henry Vedder	50
A L English	50
James Myers	25
Lew Wood	10
Mrs Freeman	25
Dr C W Caley	25
Jacob Brehm	10
George Strattner	25
Jefferson Knose	25
George Cleaver	25
C V Hyatt	25
Cash	1 89
Total	$123 54

New Baltimore Class.

Thomas Pottenger and wife	$6 75
Lewis Wabnitz & wife	4 00
Eliza Starlin	2 25
Peter Seits and wife	$2 35
T L Pottenger	2 25
M S Pottenger	2 25
Sunday school	2 00
Alex Agnew	25
Daisy Brown	60
W C Brown	50
Henry Bileman	50
J C Craig	1 00
Eliza Case	50
Margaret Crawford	25
Emanuel Fagaly, Jr, and wife	1 50
Emanuel Fagaly, Sr, and wife	75
Lawrence Fagaly	1 00
Addie Knowlman	25
Ed Knowlman	50
Monroe Lockwood	1 00
Oliver and Jacob Lockwood	50
Andrew and Rachel McCrady	1 00
Elizabeth Pottenger	1 10
Emma Sauers	50
George Sauers	50
Martin Sater & wife	1 00
Mary Seigley	25
John & Margaret Seits	1 20
John Seits, jr	$ 10
Alice Seits	25
Caroline Snyder	1 00
Ed Wabnitz	50
John Wilson & wife	75
Harry W Walker	25
Frank and Ida [illegible]lips	1 00
Margaret Kn[illegible]	25
Rosa Raisch	20
J F Janson	1 00
Christopher Wilson	1 00
Wm Raisch	10
Katie Snyder	25
Maggie Baker	25
Caroline Sauers	50
Geo Wabnitz	50
Jas Radcliff	1 00
Wm Knowlman	50
Mary Deval	05
Aaron Craig	25
Bilamy Skull	25
W C Cone	1 00
Cash	16
Total	$47 11
Grand Total	$170 65

NEWPORT—J. W. Flory, Pastor.

C Teichmoeller	$5 00
E J Robertson	3 00
John Theisz	3 00
Sunday school	3 00
Wm Coleman & wife	2 00
A F Zitt and wife	2 00
J W Flory and wife	2 00
Mrs G Apple	1 25
Mrs Mary Reed	1 00
John W Phillips	1 00
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Miss McMartin	1 00
John Edwards & wife	1 00
Philip Horner & wife	1 00
Mrs H Hamilton	1 00
Mrs E Hughes	1 00
Mrs Worthington	1 00
John Solaway	1 00
Mr and Mrs J B Lyons	$1 00
J Gibbs and wife	1 00
Mrs Lizzie Huff	1 00
Miss Lizzie Huff	1 00
Cash collection	5 00
Mrs A F Zitt	50
Miss Rose Knabb	25
W B Townsley	25
Dotus Worthington	25

Busy Gleaners.

Clarence Townsley	79
Eunis	17
Rosa Knollan	17
Laura Collins	73
Homer T Flory	31
Mattie Maul	45
Elva Baker	$ 38
Charles Deits	30
Frank Jordan	17
Roy Zitt	46
Dollie Jenner	25
Albert Wesling	22
Georgie Phillips	61
Albert Huff	18
May Crawford	55
Oliver Cencil	33
Willie Deerstock	25
Paul Finy	26
Merrill Crawford	25
Edgar Zitt	56
Emma Schorry	35
Grand Total	$51 00

PLEASANT HILL CIRCUIT—Wm. M. Vansickle, Pastor.

Pleasant Hill Class.

A C Bell and wife	$3 00
C M Benson and wife	5 00
Andrew Benson & wife	1 00
Adam Coblentz & wife	2 00
A L Reid and wife	2 00
M A Hahn and wife	5 00
Sunday school	1 54
Jerry Jordan & wife	3 00
L W Baker & wife	2 00
Samuel Roberts	6 00
John Coblentz & wife	2 00
M H Reid	2 00
Martha Reid	6 00
Marcus Penland	1 00
Robert Penland	$1 00
W E Roberts	1 00
Calvin Nossett & family	1 50
Elisabeth Burkert	50
C R Coblentz	25
Isaac N Elliot	1 00
Henry Mikesell	50
Mary Benson	50
Sylvester Cook	50
Total	$48 29

New Hope Class.

W E Richards	$0 50
J D Cline	1 00
Curtis Parker	$ 50
J W Melling & wife	5 00
Wm Bronebrake	1 50
Ohmer Bonebrake and wife	3 00
Joseph Dolphin	1 00
Wm Kramer & wife	6 00
Joseph Bresher	50
S P Melling	1 00
John Bresher	25
A E Kepler,	25
A Shearer	25
George Scheid & wife	1 00
Pastor and wife	7 00
C Kramer	1 00
Charles Chappell	25

PLEASANT HILL CIRCUIT—Continued.

E Ashinger	$ 50
Clarence Kramer	50
Laura Quigg	1 00
Andrew Surface	10
Willis Leary	50
G W Izor	1 00
E Renner	13
Eli Fisher and wife	1 50
Martin Strader	25
J H Mook	25
Jesse Sheerer (Home)	1 00
S F Griffis	1 00
Jacob Cline	25
Catherine Griffith	50
Anne Morse	25
M F Niswander	50
George Stemple	1 00
C W Conly	$1 00
Jacob Griffith	50
Lotha Vansickle	50
Gertrude S Vansickle.	50
Frank O Vansickle	50
Thank-offering	2 25
Y P S C E	90
Total	$46 38

Yankeetown Class.

L D Bragg	$3 00
F M Billman	1 50
Mary Brown	1 00
H Ewbanks	1 00
Agnes Ewbanks	50
Roscoe Thomas	$1 00
Harvey Krebs	25
Mrs C Krebs	40
Joseph Brown	1 00
Harley Billman	1 00
Kate Billman	1 00
J C Minich	2 00
Geo W Miller	50
Mrs J A Thomas & son	3 00
John Freed	25
Harriet Billman	50
S L Bookwalter	25
W Mikesell	25
Y P C U	2 70
Total	$21 60

SPRINGBORO CIRCUIT—J. N. Beckett, Pastor.

Harveysburg Class.

W A Merritt	$1 00
Jonathan Surface	25
Total	$1 25

Springboro Class.

Pearl Austin (for 1896)	$1 00
(for 1895)	3 00
Mary Lacony	25
Mrs Osee Merritt	2 00
August Harbach	1 20
Lydia Bunnell	1 00
Wm Monger	50
Lizzie Rush	25
Gartra Merritt	50
Mrs Mullen	25
Mrs Thomas Bell	70
Mrs W I Schaeffer	1 00
Mary Fox	10
Mila Merritt	10
Emma Fox	10
Bertha Stephenson	10
Mary Stephenson	05
Dr W I Schaeffer	2 00
Kate Fox	80
Paul Harbach	60
William Kleinhenn	35
John Blin	50
George Fox	25
Louis Dioen	35
Thomas Bell	50
Cynthia Antram	1 50
Thank-offering	2 37
Children's Day collections	1 00
Y P C U	2 00
Mrs John Blin	50
Mrs Harbach	25
Will Rhodes	50
Mrs Will Rhodes	$ 50
E Dioen	10
Ora Frye	1 00
Dr Ralph Michel	50
Collections from Sunday school	6 75
Junior Gleaners—	
Harry Frye	50
Maude Merritt	3 55
Lizzie Fox	12
Edna Blin	30
Lena Fox	3 85
Ollie Suydam	30
Laura Moyers	20
Wilford Beckett	66
Josie Hormell	30
May Rook	1 45
George Kleinhenn	42
Lydia Janney	33
Total	$43 40

Utica Class.

Clara Kirby	$2 00
Harvey Surface	25
Maria Surface	50
Mrs Ann Hathaway	50
Ed Rogers	1 00
Mrs Butler	25
Nancy Decker	75
Sarah Hathaway	1 25
Lizzie Hathaway	1 50
Ira Beaver (Miamisburg)	1 00
Clint Hathaway	1 50
Annie Owens	50
W R Hughes (Miamisburg)	25
Mrs Gustin	25
Clarence Surface	15
Phil Surface	50
Collection from S S	$ 95
Total	$13 10

Oregonia Class.

Frank Sherwood and family	$4 00
Wilbur Williams	2 00
Mrs Thomas Spencer	50
Sarah Kersey	50
Mrs T C Kersey	1 00
Mrs Kuhn	50
Mrs Cummins	50
Mollie Rhodes	25
Alice Cummins	25
Emma Kersey	25
Mrs J Hathaway	25
Nellie Kibler	25
Annie Kersey	25
Rose Moore	10
Arthur Kibler	50
Lizzie Pidgeon	1 00
Mrs David Gard	1 00
Dr T C Kersey	1 00
Joe Kersey	1 00
Mrs Kibler	25
Rose Moore collected	1 70
Alice Cummins collected	3 00
Sunday School and other collections	1 06
Gleaners—	
Rose Fletcher	43
James Mason	10
Willie Myers	2 73
Ruth Kersey	1 96
Sylvia Pottorf	2 35
Julia Sherwood	45
Mary Sherwood	87
Total	$30 00

SULPHUR GROVE CIRCUIT—E. E. Saul, Pastor.

Sulphur Grove Class.

H B Shoup	$13 00
W E Surrell	2 00
Mrs Catharine Wilson.	$2 00
Myrtle Brenner	3 00
B F Stoner	5 00
J A Mason	3 00
B Wilson	$5 00
Dr H Good	2 00
Mollie Grimes	1 00
S J Stoner	2 00

SULPHUR GROVE—Continued.

Mary Knell	$ 25
Frank Stoner	1 00
Mrs B F Stoner	4 00
Ella Youngs	25
C C Fox	1 00
Esther Powell	2 00
J C Powell	3 00
Annie Brenner	25
A H Powell	1 00
J W Powell	1 00
Martha Zedeker	25
D Zedeker	25
E E Shoup and wife	1 00
J C Finley	4 00
Mrs C O Bond	4 00
Mrs H B Shoup	1 00
Maude Shoup	50
C Roberts	1 00
Mrs Isa Wilson	1 00
Wm George	30
Mary Herring	1 00
H Booher	1 00
Isa Wilson	1 00
Ida Allaman	1 00
Sabbath school	5 00
Bertram W Saul	1 00
Ernest L Saul	1 00
Myrtle G Saul	1 00
E E Saul and wife	10 00

Wagner's Chapel Class.

Mrs F B Baumheckel	$4 00
W A Crosby	3 00
Susan Tippy	50
Ella Rohrer	1 00
Mrs C F Rohrer	1 00
Carrie Rohrer	25
Addie Rohrer	25
Tobias Lewis	$2 50
Susan Keckler	50
Wm Clemmer	5 05
Clara Clemmer	50
Lettie Clemmer	50
Orion Clemmer	1 50
L A Whyte	1 00
Mrs W M Gebhart	1 00
Jacob Hussong	1 00
Maggie Whyte	1 00
C Rohrer and wife	10 00
F P Grimes	6 00
Mrs F P Grimes	4 00
Ladies' Guild	8 00
C F Rohrer	2 00
F Crosby	1 50
Dr C F Powell	1 00
Carrie Klinger	50
Grace Whyte	50
Sabbath school	5 00
Jessie Whyte	1 00

Aley's Chapel Class.

Jacob C Bovey (dec'd)	$1 50
E W Stein	2 00
John Stein	1 00
Stella M Stein	35
M O Stein	1 00
Susan Bovey	50
Carrie N Bovey	35
John S Bovey	25
F W Bovey	25
Jennie A Bovey	35
Rosa May Bovey	10
Virgil Eve Bovey	10
Sarah A E Bovey	35
Wm W Bovey	25
Harry S Stein	1 00
Maria Yingling	$1 00
W J Engle and wife	5 00
Mrs C E Gerlaugh	10 00
Mrs Julia Engle	10
Mary E Kemp	2 00
J W Kemp	1 00
G W Kemp	1 00
M L Tobias	1 00
Edgar Tobias	1 00
Mary Tobias	50
Clara Tobias	50
Eva Tobias	25
Gracie Tobias	25
Regina Kundert	1 00
Lizzie Engle	50
Mrs W H Engle	1 00
Ella Frybarger	25
Stanley Engle	1 00
W Shindgledecker and wife	1 00
J A Gerlaugh	10 00
Bertha Gerlaugh	10 00
Mrs G W Kraft	50
Emma Warner	50
Mollie Trubee	25
Susan Hawker	1 00
Elizabeth Aley	25
Oliver Jordan	1 00
Mary Harrison	50
Sabbath school	5 90
Otterbein University—	
W J Engle	$1 00
Katie Engle	1 00
Earl Kemp	1 00
Sundries	5 00
Grand Total	$219 00

WEST ELKTON CIRCUIT—J. Pantle, Pastor.

Brown's Run Class.

Barbara Judy	$5 00
Mary Hetzler	3 50
F M Laughlin	3 00
Jacob Judy	2 00
Ira Bear	2 00
Sunday school	1 25
Katie Judy	1 00
D W Hetzler	1 00
U S Fouts	1 00
Peter Smith	1 00
Harry Judy	1 00
Clara Judy	1 00
John Presbaugh	1 00
Mollie Crouder	1 00
Peter Grubbs	1 00
John Slifer	1 00
Mrs Francis	50
Lovina Berger	50
Silas Berger	50
Henry Bear	50
Sarah Fouts	50
Chas Walford	50
Viola Francis	25
Alice Poffenberger	25
Barbara Poffenberger	$ 25
Chas Crouder	25
Lincoln Longman	25
John Gilbert	25
John Crouder	25
Kenton Miller	25
Orion Fouts	25
Theodore Crouder	25
John Keister	25
Orisa Mount	25
Emma Miller	10
Maggie Hutcheson	10
Gleaners' Band—	
Gleaners' Band collection	$13 00
Lola Smith	
Chas Poffenberger	
Fermen Bear	
Ira Hetzler	
Earnest Slifer	
George Ankony	
Jessie Laughlin	
Grace De Groot	
Grace Fouts	
Helen Judy	
Pearl Smith	
Clara Ankony	
Bessie Ankony	
Lucilia Ankony	
Harry Crouder	
Mabel Laughlin	
Lenza Roberts	
Total	$45 00

Greenbush Class.

Chas Geeting & wife	$5 00
G W Hanger	5 00
D A Hamilton	2 00
Susan Geeting	1 50
Lettie Colman	1 50
L A Miller	1 00
Mamie Geeting	1 00
Thomas Riner	1 00
Lillie Hanger	1 00
Jane Leaser	1 00
Mary Leaser	50
Lizzie Hamilton	50
Sunday school	1 25
Lara Dull	30

WEST ELKTON CIRCUIT—CONTINUED.

M F Schnider	$ 25
Lizzie Gifford	15
George Colman	10
Benie Mosfelder	05
Gleaners' Band—	
Gleaners' collection	10 05
Dauphin Hamilton	
Mildred Armstrong	
Adam Geeting	
Homer Gifford	
Minnie Schwarztrauber	
Chas Armstrong	
Mabel Gifford	
Lizzie Hanger	
Nettie Riner	
Charles Pierce	
Rena Brill	
Total	$32 50

West Elkton Class.

Lydia Maddock	$3 00
Otto Ferst	2 50
Richard Randall	2 00
Maggie Holliday	1 00
Sallie McGrew	1 00
Lora Weinland	1 00
E W Davies	1 50
Henry George	1 00
A Van Trump	1 00
Silas Suman	1 00
Kate Taylor	1 00
Maggie Lantis	1 00
Sunday school	1 25
Dr Conarroe	1 50
C S Stubbs	50
Ellen Weinland	50
Lydia Randall	50
Simon Showers	50
Jennie Taylor	50
Lizzie Jordan	50
C R Weinland	50
Eliza Fouts	50
Charlotte Eccles	50
Edith Talbert	50
Anna Talbert	50
Louis Weinland	25
Reno Moore	25
N N Loop	25
Anna Pottenger	25
Wm Wayland	25
Scott Roberts	50
Amanda Bunnell	50
Hanna Smith	25
Gleaners' Band collection	4 00
Helen Weinland	
Mary Talbert	
Jeannette Davies	
Nellie Davis	
Elsie Taylor	
Total	$31 75

State Road Class.

W C Shimp	$3 00
H N Kline	2 00
Martin Goss	1 50
Chas Plock	1 00
Alice Moyer	1 00
D E Roof	1 00
W H Miller	1 00
Florence Moyer	1 00
Noah Moyer	50
Josh Brown	50
Lillie Emerick	50
Sarah Goss	1 00
Jacob Keifer	35
J W Moyer	25
Frank Rhodaheffer	25
Ella Rhodaheffer	25
Maria Mullendore	25
Mary Miller	25
Ida Brown	15
Agnes Moyer	25
J W Lindenmuth	25
Orion Plack	10
Wm Perry	10
Mary Shafer	25
Mary Shellman	25
Sunday school	1 25
Gleaners Band—	
Gleaners' Band collection	$7 75
Roy Izor	
Benne Kiefer	
Nora Stump	
Roy Longman	
Grace Witters	
Alma Izor	
David Izor	
Della Emerick	
Sinnova Izor	
Roxie Moyer	
Bessie Hisey	
Anna Shellman	
Edith Keifer	
Total	$25 75

A Scattered List of Contributions.

Mary Reeve	$1 50
Martin Haas	1 00
Bert Blackburn	1 00
E Hass	50
Ed Hendrix	55
E Yingling	50
Sarah Hass	50
David Hass	50
Mitchell Pauley	25
Total	$6 25
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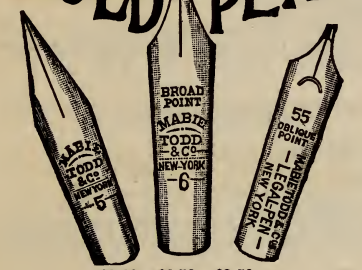

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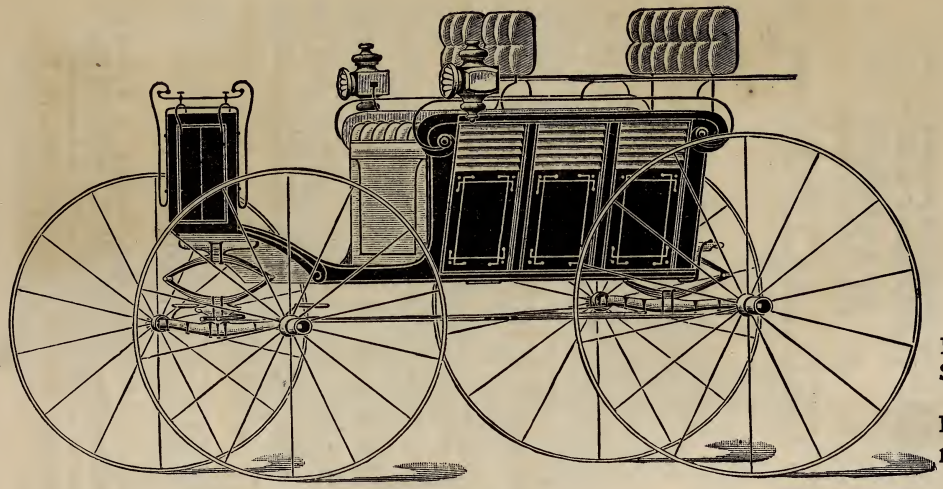

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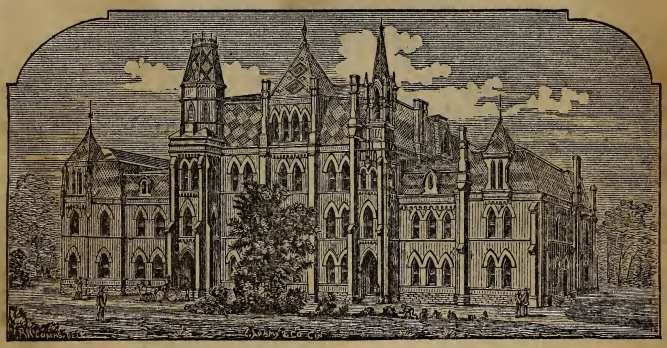

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